

The Gospel According to John

Jesus in the Temple

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Jesus fulfilling the warnings of The Prophets

Isaiah Chapter 1:

- “Stop bringing meaningless offerings!”

Malachi to the religious leaders:

- “Because of you Zion will be plowed like a field...”
- “Then suddenly the Lord you are seeking will come to his temple...”
- “See, I will send the prophet Elijah to you before the great and terrible day of the Lord comes.”

Malachi Ch. 3:2-3

2 But who can endure the day of his coming? Who can stand when he appears? For he will be like a refiner's fire or a launderer's soap. 3 He will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver; he will purify the Levites and refine them like gold and silver. Then the Lord will have men who will bring offerings in righteousness

Great and Terrible

So, what about us?

- How much of the refiner's fire do we need?
- Which of my/your tables need to be overturned?

Let Jesus reset your table daily!

Humility

Psalm 51:15-17

*15 Open my lips, Lord,
and my mouth will declare your praise.
16 You do not delight in sacrifice, or I would bring it;
you do not take pleasure in burnt offerings.
17 My sacrifice, O God, is a broken spirit;
a broken and contrite heart
you, God, will not despise.*