

THINK ON THESE THINGS: (See Malachi 3-4)

If Jesus was the "Messenger of the Covenant" of which Malachi here speaks, of which covenant was He a messenger?

Who are referred to as the "sons of Levi"? If they were to be purified, would they be purified under Old Testament Law or New Testament Law?

In chapter 4, John (Elijah) is told that a law, with statutes and judgments, would be used in his efforts to "turn the hearts of the fathers to the children..." Which law was that?

Conclusion

It seems to me that there can be no doubt that the purpose of the Gospels was to teach truths found in the Old Testament Law. Of course, that is not the only purpose of the Gospels, but until you and I approach the teachings of the Gospels as Old Testament Law, many of the applications we make from them will be incorrect. It is my opinion that this is the reason we miss the point of much of the teaching of both John and Jesus.

Note:

When I teach this, I am often accused of not wanting to follow the teachings of Jesus... such could not be further from the truth. I merely want to follow them correctly. Jj