



Maranatha Baptist Church

Destruction of a Nation – Part Two

Malachi 2:8-16

- I. Destruction of a nation (**People, Church, Home**) comes **subtly** due to **unfaithful** living by its people (2:8-10)
 - A. **Common** kinship – “have we not all one father?”
 - B. Chosen **Creator** - “hath not one God created us?”
 - C. Charges against the **People** - “why do we deal treacherously every man against his neighbor...?”
- II. Destruction of a nation comes **Severly** through dishonoring marriages (2:11-12)
 - A. Destruction was attributed to a **Marriage** crisis
 - B. Destruction was caused by **Marrying** heathens
 - C. Destruction of the **Covenant** was promised (2:12)
- III. Destruction of a nation comes _____ because of breaking the _____ covenant (2:13-16)
 - ◆ _____ only restores the marriage covenant
 - ◆ Rejuvenate the _____ of the _____ concept.
 - ◆ _____ marriage and _____ (2:16)
 - A. Repentance only _____ the marriage covenant (12-15)
 - B. _____ the practice of the “covenant” concept (14)
 - C. _____ marriage and divorce (16)
 1. Marriage was _____ and _____ from the Lord – Genesis 2:18ff; Mk. 10:2-9
 2. Marriage is a _____ ordained by the Lord – Genesis 2:18f

3. Marriage was designed by the Lord to be _____
(1 woman and 1 man come together)
4. Marriage was designed by the Lord to _____
– I Cor. 7:7-9
5. Marriage is designed by the Lord to provide _____:
 Abraham & _____ – Genesis 20:9
 Ezekiel 16:8 – covenant with _____
6. Marriage is ordained by the Lord for a _____
– Romans 7:3; I Cor. 7:39
 Bound as _____ as they both shall _____
 Christians only marry other Christians (not just in word but in action)
7. Marriage promotes a special _____ picture
– Eph. 5:22f; 5:32
 Husband is the _____ Christ is the _____
 Wife is _____ Church is _____