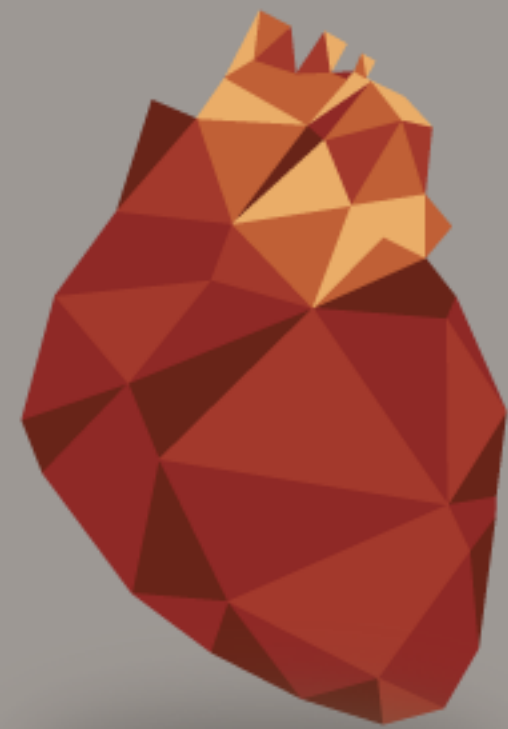


THE FATHER'S HEART

PERFECT SACRIFICE

¹ A prophecy: The word of the LORD to Israel through Malachi. ² “I have loved you,” says the LORD.



MALACHI 1:1-2 NIV

The Father's Perfect Love

- Pursues us
- Chose us
- Unmerited
- Unchanging
- Preserves us



PERFECT SACRIFICE

⁶ “A son honors his father, and a slave his master. If I am a father, where is the honor due me? If I am a master, where is the respect due me?” says the LORD Almighty. “It is you priests who show contempt for my name. “But you ask, ‘How have we shown contempt for your name?’ ⁷ “By offering defiled food on my altar.



MALACHI 1:6-7 NIV

PERFECT SACRIFICE

“But you ask, ‘How have we defiled you?’ “By saying that the LORD’s table is contemptible. 8 When you offer blind animals for sacrifice, is that not wrong? When you sacrifice lame or diseased animals, is that not wrong? Try offering them to your governor! Would he be pleased with you? Would he accept you?” says the LORD Almighty.



MALACHI 1:7-8 NIV

PERFECT SACRIFICE

⁹ “Now plead with God to be gracious to us. With such offerings from your hands, will he accept you?” —says the LORD Almighty. ¹⁰ “Oh, that one of you would shut the temple doors, so that you would not light useless fires on my altar! I am not pleased with you,” says the LORD Almighty, “and I will accept no offering from your hands.”



MALACHI 1:9-10 NIV

PERFECT SACRIFICE

¹¹ My name will be great among the nations, from where the sun rises to where it sets. In every place incense and pure offerings will be brought to me, because my name will be great among the nations,” says the LORD Almighty. ¹² “But you profane it by saying, ‘The Lord’s table is defiled,’ and, ‘Its food is contemptible.’ ¹³ And you say, ‘What a burden!’



MALACHI 1:11-13 NIV

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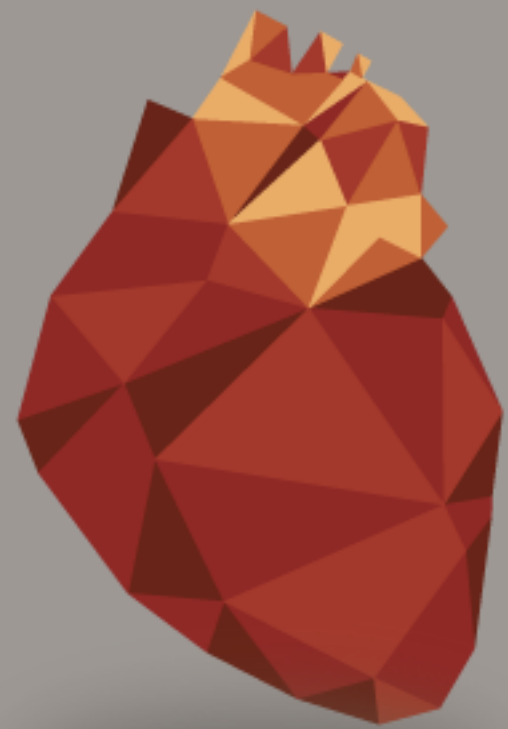
and you sniff at it contemptuously,” says the LORD Almighty. “When you bring injured, lame or diseased animals and offer them as sacrifices, should I accept them from your hands?” says the LORD. ¹⁴ “Cursed is the cheat who has an acceptable male in his flock and vows to give it, but then sacrifices a blemished animal to the Lord. For I am a great king,”



MALACHI 1:13-14 NIV

PERFECT SACRIFICE

says the LORD Almighty, “and my name is to be feared among the nations.



MALACHI 1:14 NIV

PERFECT SACRIFICE

⁶ We are all infected and impure with sin. When we display our righteous deeds, they are nothing but filthy rags. Like autumn leaves, we wither and fall, and our sins sweep us away like the wind. ⁷ Yet no one calls on your name or pleads with you for mercy. Therefore, you have turned away from us and turned us over to our sins.



ISAIAH 64:6-7 NLT

PERFECT SACRIFICE

¹ Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship. ² Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.



ROMANS 12:1-2 NIV

PERFECT SACRIFICE

¹ And so, dear brothers and sisters, I plead with you to give your bodies to God because of all he has done for you. Let them be a living and holy sacrifice—the kind he will find acceptable. This is truly the way to worship him.

² Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect.



ROMANS 12:1-2 NLT

Jesus the Perfect Sacrifice

- Lamb of God



PERFECT SACRIFICE

“But you ask, ‘How have we defiled you?’ “By saying that the LORD’s table is contemptible. **8 When you offer blind animals for sacrifice, is that not wrong? When you sacrifice lame or diseased animals, is that not wrong? Try offering them to your governor! Would he be pleased with you? Would he accept you?”** says the LORD Almighty.



MALACHI 1:7-8 NIV

PERFECT SACRIFICE

¹⁰ And by that will, we have been made holy through the sacrifice of the body of Jesus Christ once for all. ¹¹ Day after day every priest stands and performs his religious duties; again and again he offers the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. ¹² But when this priest had offered for all time one sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God,



HEBREWS 10:10-14 NIV

Jesus the Perfect Sacrifice

- Lamb of God
- Servant King



PERFECT SACRIFICE

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MALACHI 1:7-8 NIV

PERFECT SACRIFICE

²⁵ Jesus called them together and said, “You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. ²⁶ Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, ²⁷ and whoever wants to be first must be your slave— ²⁸ just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”



MATTHEW 20:25–28 NIV

Jesus the Perfect Sacrifice

- Lamb of God
- Servant King
- Mediator



PERFECT SACRIFICE

9 “Now plead with God to be gracious to us. With such offerings from your hands, will he accept you?” —says the LORD Almighty. 10 “Oh, that one of you would shut the temple doors, so that you would not light useless fires on my altar! I am not pleased with you,” says the LORD Almighty, “and I will accept no offering from your hands.



MALACHI 1:9-10 NIV

PERFECT SACRIFICE

¹ I urge you, first of all, to pray for all people. Ask God to help them; intercede on their behalf, and give thanks for them. ² Pray this way for kings and all who are in authority so that we can live peaceful and quiet lives marked by godliness and dignity. ³ This is good and pleases God our Savior, ⁴ who wants everyone to be saved and to understand the truth.



1 TIMOTHY 2:1-4 NLT

PERFECT SACRIFICE

⁵ For, there is one God and one Mediator who can reconcile God and humanity—the man Christ Jesus. ⁶ He gave his life to purchase freedom for everyone. This is the message God gave to the world at just the right time.



1 TIMOTHY 2:5–6 NLT

PERFECT SACRIFICE

¹⁵ For this reason Christ is the mediator of a new covenant, that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance—now that he has died as a ransom to set them free from the sins committed under the first covenant.



HEBREWS 9:15 NIV

Jesus the Perfect Sacrifice

- Lamb of God
- Servant King
- Mediator
- Rescuer



PERFECT SACRIFICE

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MALACHI 1:9-10 NIV

PERFECT SACRIFICE

²³ For everyone has sinned; we all fall short of God's glorious standard. ²⁴ Yet God, in his grace, freely makes us right in his sight. He did this through Christ Jesus when he freed us from the penalty for our sins. ²⁵ For God presented Jesus as the sacrifice for sin. People are made right with God when they believe that Jesus sacrificed his life, shedding his blood.



ROMANS 3:23-25 NLT

PERFECT SACRIFICE

This sacrifice shows that God was being fair when he held back and did not punish those who sinned in times past, ²⁶ for he was looking ahead and including them in what he would do in this present time. God did this to demonstrate his righteousness, for he himself is fair and just, and he makes sinners right in his sight when they believe in Jesus.



ROMANS 3:25-26 NLT

Jesus the Perfect Sacrifice

- Lamb of God
- Servant King
- Mediator
- Rescuer
- LORD Almighty



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MALACHI 1:11-13 NIV

PERFECT SACRIFICE

“And as he taught them, he said, “Is it not written: ‘My house will be called a house of prayer for all nations’? But you have made it ‘a den of robbers.’”



MARK 11:17 NIV

PERFECT SACRIFICE

“For God made Christ, who never sinned, to be the offering for our sin, so that we could be made right with God through Christ.”



2 CORINTHIANS 5:21 NLT

