

Sermon Study Questions

Refiner's Fire

Malachi 3:1-5, 16-18

4 September 2022

Read Malachi 3:1-5, 16-18 and Matthew 10:16-22, 28

1. What were the two observations made in the sermon about the significance of the fact that God sits down to do the refining?
2. According to the sermon, how are we likely to experience the refining fire in our lives?
3. What kind of impurities will be refined from our lives (vs. 5)?
 - a. Why is the last one so important?
4. What is the refining for?
 - a. Personal reflection: are there things in your own life that are an impediment to your ministry?
5. At the end of the sermon, James talked about being able to see visible gold in our community. Can you see visible gold as well? Can you be specific about it?
 - a. And does the evidence of visible gold mean that we no longer need the refining fire?