CONNECTING WITH GOD...
THE CHURCH... YOUR PURPOSE

For the week of: Sunday, February 6, 2022

Teaching Series: Future: Living Forward with God's Blessing

Message Title / Pastor: Future – Refining Fire, Pastor Bill Wilson

MESSAGE OVERVIEW

In our study of Malachi, Pastor Bill walked us into the opening lines of the 3rd Chapter of the Book, calling it REFINING FIRE. The teaching centered around the fact that God never leaves us where he found us and in order to living forward with God's blessing, we should welcome His work in our lives.

SCRIPTURE

Malachi 3:1–4 *"Look! I am sending my messenger, and he will prepare the way before me. Then the Lord you are seeking will suddenly come to his Temple. The messenger of the covenant, whom you look for so eagerly, is surely coming," says the Lord of Heaven's Armies. 2 "But who will be able to endure it when he comes? Who will be able to stand and face him when he appears? For he will be like a blazing fire that refines metal, or like a strong soap that bleaches clothes. 3 He will sit like a refiner of silver, burning away the dross. He will purify the Levites, refining them like gold and silver, so that they may once again offer acceptable sacrifices to the Lord. 4 Then once more the Lord will accept the offerings brought to him by the people of Judah and Jerusalem, as he did in the past.*

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Have you ever done a remodeling project? What was it?
2. When did you first decide to become a Christ-follower?
3. What was one big noticeable change in your life after accepting Christ?
4. According to Malachi 3, what do you feel is God's main goal to refine you?
5. Where would like to grow in your walk and witness in the coming months?

PRAYER

Gracious Father, Thank you for extending your love to me. Thank you for loving me enough to not leave me in the state you found me. Continue to refine me for your glory. Help me to be brighter, stronger and more like Jesus. Amen! Amen!

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