

We're still in the book of

Malachi, which has

had a lot to say about the

leaders of God's

people in the Old Testament, the priests.

In our passage today we're going to see the

priests are given a
final chance to change before God comes in

person, but they are upset
by this call to change. This shows that the

priests have a ruined

relationship with God.

Yet, God is still willing to try again with
them and he tells them to

"Return" or come

back to Him. But they still don't seem to
see how they have been the ones doing

wrong so God tells them
that they have ruined the
temple.

The way they have done this is by not
making sure that the **right**
amount of money was being given to the
temple for
sacrifices so
they were ruining the way that
forgiveness
could happen. But, we also know that this
pointed forward to a
better and total
sacrifice that Jesus made on the cross so

that all who believe in him can be truly
forgiven. This shows us what a **very**
generous God we have.

Pray with your grown up asking Jesus for forgiveness and to help
us trust our generous God. Colour the picture of people bringing
the full tithe into the temple to remind you of today's passage.

