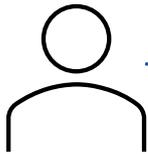


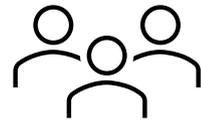
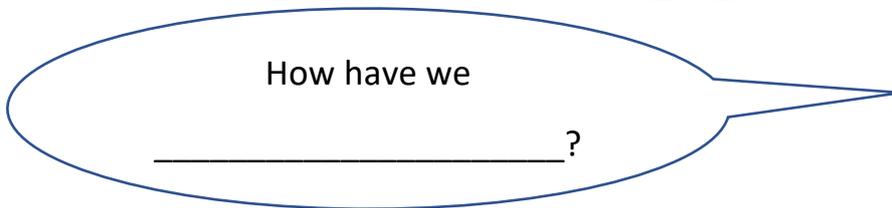
Listen carefully to the Bible reading
from Malachi 3 verse 13 to 4 verse 6

Read verse 13 again and fill in the speech bubbles.

The LORD



Your _____ have
been hard against _____



Israel

Wow! Can you believe it?

The people still don't believe they have said anything against
God.

We keep seeing that the people don't think they have done
anything wrong. But God is so **patient**, he still wants the
people to turn back to him.

Listen carefully and read verses 14 and 15. What had they
been saying against God? Circle all the correct answers.

To serve God is a
waste of time

We must say
sorry!

God is not punishing
wicked people

What's in it
for us?

Are these true?
Let's see what God says.

First, all those people who still feared the Lord spoke together. What did they do? (Clue: read verse 16)

Then God says something wonderful! See if you can fill in the missing words from verse 17:

"They will be _____
...in the day when
I make up my t_____ p_____"

Wow! God says those who fear him will be **his treasure!**

Read verse 18. God promises that they will once again see the difference between who?

Between: _____

and _____

In Chapter 4 of Malachi we will see the **difference** God is talking about.

In chapter 4 verse 1, God says there is a day coming when there will be a **big difference** between the wicked and his people...

...because this is the day he is coming in j_____ (jdgementm)

For those who do not fear God and turn away from him;
What does verse 1 say

they will they be like? _____

What does verse 1 say will

happen to them on that day? _____

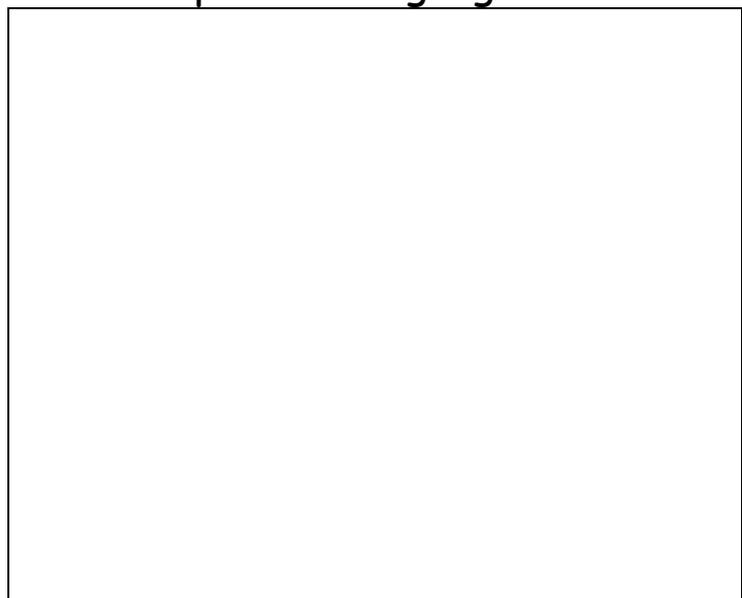
This is God's judgement.

The people had been very wrong. The wicked will not escape.

But there is a big difference with those who fear God and who are really his children.

Read verse 2. Did you notice the picture language here?

Have you ever seen cows and calves set free from their stalls after being kept inside for a long time? They get so excited they run around their fields leaping about! Imagine it and see if you can draw it.



The day God is talking about is the day when his special King will come again to earth.

What is the name of this King? _____
(uessj)

This is the King who is coming with **judgement** for his enemies but with **blessing** for his people. We don't know when he is coming but God promises he is coming one day.

Use the words in the box to complete the sentences.

God's	treasure	blessing	worried	day
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Those who are really _____ children don't have to be _____ about the day when he comes. For them he will come with wonderful _____. God's children can look forward to the happy _____ when Jesus comes again because they are his _____!

"But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness shall rise with healing in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall."

Malachi 4v2