

## Malachi 1:1-5 **Jacob loved – Esau hated**

1 The burden of the word of the Lord to Israel by Malachi.

### Israel Beloved of God

2 "I have loved you," says Yahweh (the Lord). "Yet you say, 'In what way have You loved us?' Was not Esau Jacob's brother?" Says Yahweh (the Lord). "Yet Jacob I have loved;

3 But Esau I have hated, And laid waste his mountains and his heritage For the jackals of the wilderness."

4 Even though Edom has said, "We have been impoverished, But we will return and build the desolate places,"

Thus says the Lord of hosts:

"They may build, but I will throw down; They shall be called the Territory of Wickedness, And the people against whom Yahweh (the Lord) will have indignation forever.

5 Your eyes shall see, And you shall say, Yahweh (the Lord) is magnified beyond the border of Israel.'

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### Facts Revealed:

- ✧ Today, as in the days of Malachi, declarations of Yahweh are met with challenge and ridicule around the world.
- ✧ Yahweh pointed out His relationship with Jacob and Esau as an example.
- ✧ Jacob had a heart for Yahweh and Yahweh responded with love and a promised Future.
- ✧ Esau despised his birthright and Yahweh responded with judgment and indignation.
- ✧ In arrogance, Esau responded with promise to rebuild what is lost, trusting in his own ability.
- ✧ Yahweh said, "They may rebuild but I will throw down."
- ✧ Yahweh will always have indignation against those who in pride and arrogance trust in themselves instead of turning to Yahweh.
- ✧ In the end the world will see and realize that Yahweh is a God of His word, He always does just exactly as He said He would do.