

## Sermon Title: WHAT KIND OF SERVICE DO YOU RENDER TO GOD?

SCRIPTURE: Malachi 3:13-18 DATE: March 24, 2019

## • Selfish and Spoiled Devotion – Fake Obedience (vv.13-15)

<sup>13</sup> "Your words have been hard against me, says the Lord. But you say, 'How have we spoken against you?' <sup>14</sup> You have said, It is vain to serve God. What is the profit of our keeping his charge or of walking as in mourning before the Lord of hosts? <sup>15</sup> And now we call the arrogant blessed. Evildoers not only prosper but they put God to the test and they escape.'"

## • Sincere and Pure Devotion – Faithful Obedience (vv.16-18)

<sup>16</sup> Then those who feared the Lord spoke with one another. The Lord paid attention and heard them, and a book of remembrance was written before him of those who feared the Lord and esteemed his name. <sup>17</sup> "They shall be mine, says the Lord of hosts, in the day when I make up my treasured possession, and I will spare them as a man spares his son who serves him. <sup>18</sup> Then once more you shall see the distinction between the righteous and the wicked, between one who serves God and one who does not serve him.