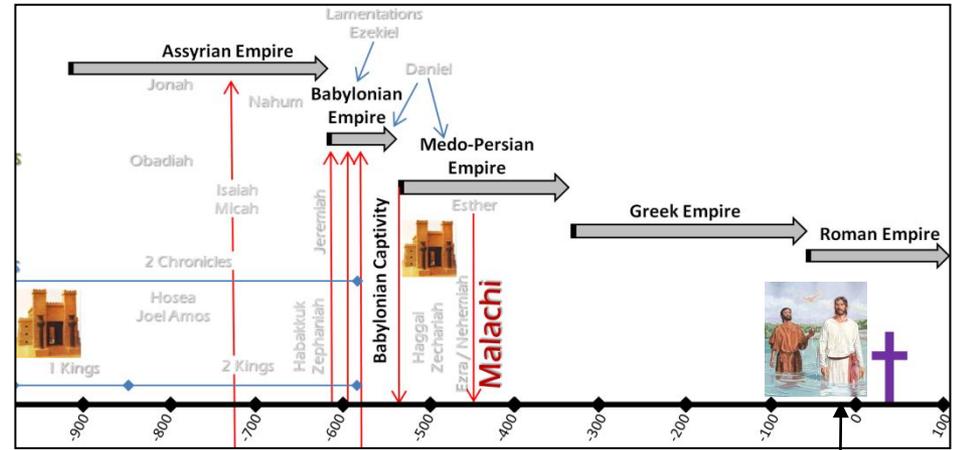


# Malachi

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## Malachi in biblical & historical context



**Behold** I send my messenger, and he will prepare the way before Me. And the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to His temple; and the messenger of the covenant in whom you delight, **behold**, He is coming, says the LORD of Hosts. (3:1)

**Behold**, I will send you Elijah the prophet... to turn the hearts of fathers to their children and the hearts of children to their fathers (4:5-6) & (Luke 1:17)

But for you who fear My Name, the sun of righteousness will rise with healing in its wings (4:2)

*I am a great King, My Name will be feared among the nations (1:14)*

