

**McLean Bible Church  
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## **Christmas Hope: How Can You Keep On Rejoicing in Suffering?**

**1 Peter 4:12-19**

**WEEK 16 (Dec. 20-26):** Zechariah 12-Malachi 4

**MEMORY VERSE:** 1 Peter 1:24-25

**FAMILY CHALLENGE:**

Malachi says that the priests during his day were "despising the name of God" (1:2). In what ways were these priests disrespecting The Lord of Hosts? What will the consequences be if the priests don't change their ways? (2:1). Even though Malachi speaks a lot about how Israel disobeyed God, he does offer hope for those who continued to obey God during the tough times. What did God give those who remained faithful even though they were surrounded by sin? (3:16-4:3). The book of Malachi is another example of God being faithful to his followers who continue to obey Him. How did reading these verses encourage you in your faith, especially during the current times we're living in?