Sermon Title: "HOW DID WE GET HERE?"

Malachi 3:8-15; Genesis Passages; II Chronicles 7:12-16

This passage gives 4 reasons why all ______ is profitable: 1. "Teaching" – God's Word people "Reproof or Rebuke" – God's Word _____ our sin 2. 3. "Correction" – there's only one _____ to our problem of sin 4. "Training in Righteousness" – this is the positive and _____ component Beginning in about 4,000BC God ______ in 6 days – culminating in • His creation of man and woman, who had _____ Wickedness abounded – _____ was everywhere ٠ Roughly 2,200BC and Abram is ______ and told to go ٠ (through Abraham, God will bless) FYI – the ______ was still part of the land of Canaan ٠ Abram took it upon himself to ______ the land because of the ______ • In about 1,500BC God uses ______ to lead those people out of slavery • Eventually, desires a king and in about 1,050BC they select ٠ God gives them a man after His own heart, _____ ٠ In 970BC the wisest man to ever live, _____, takes the throne • The 10 Northern Tribes () have a total of 18 kings, all were bad ٠ and in 722 BC, Israel is taken captive by the _____ The 2 Southern Tribes (_____) have a total of 20 kings (12 bad and 8 ٠ good). Unfortunately, in 3 waves the _____ come in finishing in 586BC Have you ever wondered why was Judah sent into captivity for _____? • Year of _____ = Israel was to work the field for 6 years and then take a break and NOT work the field for 1 full year • However, when year 7 rolled around, Israel ______ stopped working the field (they _____ God) • For 70 years, while ______ is in captivity, the land finally ______ God _____ and _____ be mocked So, _____ did we get here? o Blinded eyes, _____, and substitute passions