

Joel - The Day of the Lord

Experienced - Historical (1:1-20)	Illustrated - Transitional (2:1-17)	Described - Eschatological (2:18-3:21)
<p>Source of the Message (1)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Joel son of Pethuel - “The Lord is God” = Joel - “Openheartedness” = Pethuel <p>Contemplate Destruction (2-4)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 4 different locusts described - Gnawing, swarming, creeping, stripping - Nothing left - no green thing left - Tell it to the next generations <p>Completeness of Destruction (5-12)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - vines, trees, crops - animals? - The offerings for worship were gone - No way to worship God now <p>Repent in Light of Destruction (13-20)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sackcloth - Grain and drink offerings are gone and are withheld from the house of God - Fasting - Solemn assembly - Destruction from the Almighty - Gladness and joy are gone from the house of the Lord - Crying out to the Lord - Desire for the Lord 	<p>Alarm Sounds (1) - people are to tremble because the day of the Lord is near</p> <p>Army Invades (2-11)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - who can endure the day of the Lord? - Army of locusts or army of men - God raises them up and brings devastation in their wake - Nothing can stop them <p>Admonition to Repent (12-17)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - return to the Lord with all your heart - Fasting - Weeping, mourning - Rend your heart, not your garments - Return to the Lord - gracious, compassionate, slow to anger, abounding in lovingkindness - Who knows if He will relent - Fast - Solemn assembly - Sanctify the people - Weep and cry out - spare Your people 	<p>Introduction (18-20)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - restoration of Judah (Israel) - They will never be a reproach among the nations <p>Material Restoration (21-27)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - promise of all that the locusts have destroyed - The rains will come (no drought) - They will have no more famine - They will know that He is God, He is in their midst, there is no other God <p>Spiritual Restoration (28-32)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - promise of the indwelling of the Holy Spirit - God’s power will be displayed in nature - Those who call on the name of the Lord will be delivered <p>National Restoration (3:1-21)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - the nations will be judged for their acts against Israel (1-3) - God brings recompense on the nations (4-8) - Gather together for war - the nations will be aroused - the wine press will be pressed in full (9-17) - Rev 19:11-16 - Judah will be blessed - the nations will be under God’s hand (18-21)

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Return To Me	Why the Plagues	Drink Offerings - Poured Out
<p>2:12-14</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - with all their heart - Fasting, weeping, mourning - Rend your heart, not your garments - Return to the Lord - gracious, compassionate, slow to anger, abounding in loving kindness, relenting of evil - God may turn from His judgment and bring a blessing instead - He may leave you with something to offer Him (I Sam 15:20-23) (Ro 12:1-2) - God wants our obedience 	<p>Dt 28:1-25, 58-61</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - blessings for obedience (1-2) - Curses for disobedience (15, 58-610) - Careful to observe the ways of the Lord (58) - Fear the honored and awesome name of the Lord (58) <p>Ex 10:1-20 - that the world would know that He is God</p> <p>Is 26:8-9</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - with judgments the world learns righteousness - Desire is for the Lord to seek Him <p>Is 45:5-7 - they would know that He is God and there is no other</p> <p>Ez 14:12-20 - only righteousness will deliver from God's judgments</p> <p>Amos 3:6 - calamity is brought on by the Lord - causes people to tremble</p> <p>Amos 4:6-12 - Calamity turns people to God (6, 8, 9, 10, 11) - they didn't return to Him - prepare to meet your God</p>	