

Title: “The God Who Restores”

Key text: Joel 2:18-32

Main Idea: When God's people genuinely return to Him, they discover that He is a God who delights in restoring what sin has broken and in giving hope that reaches far beyond the present into eternity through Jesus Christ.

Intro:

- repentance is the doorway.
- eager to restore His people.

I. God Restores What Sin Has Broken

- flows from covenant love.
- God is not stingy with His mercy.
- wasn't abstract. was personal.
- The greatest promise is God Himself.
- has always been His presence.
- missed the very purpose of gathering together.

II. God *Pours* Out His Spirit to Empower His People

- act of divine grace.
- to walk by the Spirit.
- works through His **Word, prayer, fellowship, obedience.**

III. God Offers *Salvation* Before the Day of Judgment

- not moving in ***circles***, moving toward a ***destination***.
- ***immediate*** horizon; ***ultimate*** horizon.
- ***every*** person will one day stand ***before*** a holy God.
- day of ***hope*** or a day of ***judgment***.
- wide enough for ***everyone*** who will come.
- salvation is by ***grace alone***.
- the ***goal*** of ***redemption***.

Sermon notes:

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