

<u>THE BOOK OF JOEL</u> "<u>THE DAY OF THE LORD"</u>

CHAPTER 2 – "THE DAY OF THE LORD!"

(v1-11) The "*Day of the LORD*" (Isaiah Ch. 2; Amos 5:18) – Could Joel be describing Revelation 9:1-12; locusts from the bottomless pit attacking mankind in the tribulation, which is the great tribulation of the <u>LAST</u> DAYS!

(v12-14) The LORD calls the children of Israel to <u>REPENTANCE</u>! > True repentance is described as:

- Turn with ALL YOUR <u>HEART</u> (weeping, fasting, mourning)
- <u>REND</u> YOUR HEART

- <u>RETURN</u> TO THE LORD your GOD (Observe that God is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, great in kindness! God will also restore and bless!)

(v15-17) Observe the call to <u>SANCTIFICATION</u> – LIVE FOR THE LORD!

(v18-20) The LORD will be "<u>ZEALOUS</u> FOR HIS LAND AND PITY HIS PEOPLE." (Bible scholars refer to the northern *army* in verse 20 possibly that of "gog and magog" referred to in Ezekiel Ch. 38.)

(v21-27) God will <u>RESTORE AND BLESS</u> ISRAEL ABUNDANTLY!

(v28-29) The "PROMISE OF THE <u>HOLY SPIRIT</u>" at PENTECOST! (Acts Ch. 2)

(v30-31) The future judgment at "THE DAY OF THE LORD!"

(v32) WHOEVER CALLS ON THE NAME OF THE LORD SHALL BE <u>SAVED</u>! Including the <u>REMNANT</u> of ISRAEL in the tribulation. (Romans Chapters 10 & 11)