

A person is walking away from the camera down a street of ruined buildings at sunset. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a bright glow and silhouetting the person and the buildings. The street is covered in rubble and debris. The overall mood is one of hope and renewal.

FROM RUIN TO RENEWAL

THE BOOK OF JOEL



# **GOD'S MERCY AND COVENANT RESTORATION**

18 Then the Lord was jealous for his land  
and took pity on his people.

Joel 2:18

25 "I will repay you for the years the locusts have eaten—the great locust and the young locust, the other locusts and the locust swarm—my great army that I sent among you.

Joel 2:25

<sup>26</sup> You will have plenty to eat, until you are full, and you will praise the name of the Lord your God, who has worked wonders for you; never again will my people be shamed.

Joel 2:26

<sup>27</sup> Then you will know that I am in Israel, that I am the Lord your God, and that there is no other; never again will my people be shamed.

Joel 2:27

# THE GIFT AND SPREAD OF THE SPIRIT

<sup>28</sup> “And afterward, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your old men will dream dreams, your young men will see visions. <sup>29</sup> Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days.

Joel 2:28-29



**ESCHATOLOGICAL TENSION:  
COSMIC SIGNS AND SALVATION**

<sup>30</sup> I will show wonders in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and billows of smoke. <sup>31</sup> The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the Lord.

Joel 2:30-31

<sup>32</sup> And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved; for on Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there will be deliverance, as the Lord has said, even among the survivors whom the Lord calls.

Joel 2:32

**A WORD FOR TODAY?**

**BEYOND CRISIS MANAGEMENT TO  
COVENANT RENEWAL**



Calamity can be a stepping-stone to deeper repentance and restoration—believers can embrace adversity as an invitation to recommit to faithful living and witness

**EXPECT SPIRITUAL RENEWAL  
THROUGH THE HOLY SPIRIT**



In a region where cultural Christianity can be nominal, Joel's promise invites churches to pray for a fresh outpouring of the Spirit – empowering every member for holiness, mission, and community transformation

**PROCLAIM UNIVERSAL SALVATION  
IN A FRAGMENTED CULTURE**



The closing promise of salvation is a clarion call for evangelism—believers can anchor their witness in the assurance that anyone who calls on the Lord will be saved, transcending cultural divides with Gospel hope

A person is walking away from the camera down a street of ruined buildings at sunset. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a strong silhouette of the person and a warm, golden glow. The buildings are dark and appear to be in various stages of destruction, with some windows missing and debris scattered on the ground. The overall mood is one of hope and resilience in the face of adversity.

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