

THE MESSAGE OF THE PROPHET JOEL
THE DAY OF THE LORD IS COMING

JOEL CHAPTER 2:15-32

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THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:

"WHEN JESUS CHRIST COMES AGAIN"

THE COMING OF THE DAY OF THE LORD DRAWS NEAR

SUBJECT TOPICALLY REFERENCED UNDER:

Judgment, Revival, Repentance, Hope, Humility

Introduction to the Text; **Joel 2:14-32**

Statement of Textual Summation and Theme

Psalm 59:12-13

For the sin of their mouth and the words of their lips let them even be taken in their pride: and for cursing and lying which they speak. :13 Consume them in wrath, consume them, that they may not be: and let them know that God ruleth in Jacob unto the ends of the earth.

The Battle Hymn of the Republic

Mine eyes have seen the glory Of the coming of the Lord; He is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored; He hath loosed the fateful lightning of His terrible swift sword; His truth is marching on. Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! His truth is marching on...

If You've Seen The Lord of the Rings
**You've seen J.R.R. Tolkien's representation of two worlds in collision.
The kingdom of darkness verses the kingdom of light.
A kingdom of good, and a kingdom of evil.**

Jo'El his Name Means...
Jehovah is God

WHEN JESUS CHRIST COMES AGAIN

1.) Israel will turn and Call out to the Lord v.15-17

ISRAEL WILL TURN AND CALL OUT

1a.) *When Just a Remnant is left to survive*

Verse 15

Blow the trumpet in Zion,
Consecrate a fast, Call a sacred assembly;

Joel Speaks About a Timing Yet to Come When;
The Events Coming to the People and Nation of Israel
will look impossible, and her end will seem certain.

But...

Psalm 2:1-5

Why do the nations rage, And the people plot a vain thing? **2** The kings of the earth set themselves, And the rulers take counsel together, Against the LORD and against His Anointed, *saying*, **3** "Let us break Their bonds in pieces And cast away Their cords from us." **4** He who sits in the heavens shall laugh; The LORD shall hold them in derision. **5** Then He shall speak to them in His wrath, And distress them in His deep displeasure:

Romans 9:27

Isaiah also cries out concerning Israel: *"Though the number of the children of Israel be as the sand of the sea, The remnant will be saved.*

ISRAEL WILL TURN AND CALL OUT

1b.) *When the nations repents of it's unbelief*

Verse 16-17

16 Gather the people, **Sanctify** the congregation, **Assemble** the elders, **Gather** the children and nursing babes; **Let** the bridegroom go out from his chamber, And the bride from her dressing room. **17** **Let** the priests, who minister to the LORD, **Weep** *between the porch and the altar*; **Let** them say, *"Spare Your people, O LORD, And do not give Your heritage to reproach, That the nations should rule over them. Why should they say among the nations, 'Where is their God?'"*

Israel Today is a Secular Nation.

It has a religious element to it, but the people are either hooked on religious traditions or they do not believe in God at all.

Hosea 5:14-15

For I *will be* like a lion to Ephraim, And like a young lion to the house of Judah. I, *even* I, will tear *them* and go away; I will take *them* away, and no one shall rescue. **15** I will return again to My place Till they acknowledge their offense. Then they will seek My face; In their affliction they will earnestly seek Me.”

WHEN JESUS CHRIST COMES AGAIN

2.) The Lord will Answer Israel in His Zeal

v.18-20

Isaiah 37:31-32

And the remnant who have escaped of the house of Judah Shall again take root downward, And bear fruit upward. **32** For out of Jerusalem shall go a remnant, And those who escape from Mount Zion.

The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

This "Zeal" is
a holy and righteous jealousy or envy

THE LORD WILL ANSWER ISRAEL IN HIS ZEAL

2a.) The Zeal of the Lord for His Land and People, Israel

Verse 18-19

Then the LORD will be zealous for His land, And pity His people. **19** The LORD will answer and say to His people, “Behold, I will send you grain and new wine and oil, And you will be satisfied by them; I will no longer make you a reproach among the nations

Matthew 23:37-39

“O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the one who kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to her! How often I wanted to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under *her* wings, but you were not willing! **38** See! Your house is left to you desolate; **39** for I say to you, you shall see Me no more till you say, “*Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD!*”

THE LORD WILL ANSWER ISRAEL IN HIS ZEAL

2b.) *The Zeal of the Lord Against Israel's Enemies*

Verse 20

Joel 2:20

20 “But I will remove far from you the northern *army*, And will drive him away into a barren and desolate land, With his face toward the eastern sea And his back toward the western sea; His stench will come up, And his foul odor will rise, Because he has done monstrous things.”

In The Second Coming, When Jesus Arrives at Armageddon,
The Events That Bring an Ending to Armageddon

Revelation 19:11-19

Now I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse. And He who sat on him *was* called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and makes war. **12** His eyes *were* like a flame of fire, and on His head *were* many crowns. He had a name written that no one knew except Himself. **13** He *was* clothed with a robe dipped in blood, and His name is called The Word of God. **14** And the armies in heaven, clothed in fine linen, white and clean, followed Him on white horses. **15** Now out of His mouth goes a sharp sword, ***that with it He should strike the nations***. And He Himself will rule them with a rod of iron. He Himself treads the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. **16** And He has on *His* robe and on His thigh a name written: KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS. **:17** Then I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the birds that fly in the midst of heaven, “Come and gather together for the supper of the great God, **18** that you may eat the flesh of kings, the flesh of captains, the flesh of mighty men, the flesh of horses and of those who sit on them, and the flesh of all *people*, free and slave, both small and great.” **:19** And I saw the beast, the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against Him who sat on the horse and against His army.

Zechariah 14:3-4, 12-14

Then the LORD will go forth And fight against those nations, As He fights in the day of battle. **4** And in that day His feet will stand on the Mount of Olives, Which faces Jerusalem on the east. And the Mount of Olives shall be split in two, From east to west, *Making* a very large valley; Half of the mountain shall move toward the north And half of it toward the south., **:12** And this shall be the plague with which the LORD will strike all the people who fought against Jerusalem: Their flesh shall dissolve while they stand on their feet, Their eyes shall dissolve in their sockets, And their tongues shall

dissolve in their mouths. **13** It shall come to pass in that day *That* a great panic from the LORD will be among them. Everyone will seize the hand of his neighbor, And raise his hand against his neighbor's hand; **14** Judah also will fight at Jerusalem. And the wealth of all the surrounding nations Shall be gathered together: Gold, silver, and apparel in great abundance.

WHEN JESUS CHRIST COMES AGAIN

3.) *The Earth will undergo His Restoration* v. 21-27

THE EARTH WILL UNDERGO HIS RESTORATION

3a.) *The Restoration will begin from Jerusalem*

Verse 21-23

21 **Fear not**, O land; Be glad and rejoice, For the LORD has done marvelous things!
22 Do not be afraid, you beasts of the field; For the open pastures are springing up, And the tree bears its fruit; The fig tree and the vine yield their strength. **23** **Be glad** then, you children of Zion, And rejoice in the LORD your God; For He has given you the former rain faithfully, And He will cause the rain to come down for you— The former rain, And the latter rain in the first *month*

THE EARTH WILL UNDERGO HIS RESTORATION

3b.) *The Restoration will be Complete and Worldwide*

Verse 24-27

. **24** The threshing floors shall be full of wheat, And the vats shall overflow with new wine and oil. **25** "So I will restore to you the years that the swarming locust has eaten, The crawling locust, The consuming locust, And the chewing locust, My great army which I sent among you. **26** You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, And praise the name of the LORD your God, Who has dealt wondrously with you; And My people shall never be put to shame. **27** Then you shall know that I *am* in the midst of Israel: I *am* the LORD your God And there is no other. My people shall never be put to shame.

WHEN JESUS CHRIST COMES AGAIN

4.) *The Word of the Lord will be Fulfilled* v.28-32

THE WORD OF THE LORD WILL BE FULFILLED

4a.) *Fulfilled toward all those who believe*

Verse 28-29

4a.) *Fulfilled toward all those who believe*

28 “And it shall come to pass afterward (*the closing events leading up to the second coming*) That I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh; Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, Your old men shall dream dreams, Your young men shall see visions. 29 And also on My menservants and on My maidservants I will pour out My Spirit in those days.

Acts 2:5-21

And there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men, from every nation under heaven. 6 And when this sound occurred, the multitude came together, and were confused, because everyone heard them speak in his own language. 7 Then they were all amazed and marveled, saying to one another, “Look, are not all these who speak Galileans? 8 And how *is it that* we hear, each in our own language in which we were born? 9 Parthians and Medes and Elamites, those dwelling in Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, 10 Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya adjoining Cyrene, visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, 11 Cretans and Arabs—we hear them speaking in our own tongues the wonderful works of God.” 12 **So they were all amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “Whatever could this mean?”** :13 Others mocking said, “They are full of new wine.” :14 But Peter, standing up with the eleven, raised his voice and said to them, “Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and heed my words. 15 For these are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is *only* the third hour of the day. 16 But this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel: 17 “*And it shall come to pass in the last days, says God, That I will pour out of My Spirit on all flesh; Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, Your young men shall see visions, Your old men shall dream dreams. 18 And on My menservants and on My maidservants I will pour out My Spirit in those days; And they shall prophesy. 19 I will show wonders in heaven above And signs in the earth beneath: Blood and fire and vapor of smoke. 20 The sun shall be turned into darkness, And the moon into blood, Before the coming of the great and awesome day of the LORD. 21 And it shall come to pass That whoever calls on the name of the LORD Shall be saved.*’

Now, Here is an Amazing Thing,
*Clearly what is prophesied by Joel has not yet happened in it's Fullness. But
neither has the fullness of Acts 2 been completed either.*

So then, we are left to simply conclude, that what God has said,
will happen as He has said it.

There will be a Time of Great Tribulation...

"such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no,
nor ever shall be... **"Then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven, and then
all the nations of the earth will mourn, when they will see the Son of Man coming on
the clouds of heaven with power and great glory."**

THE WORD OF THE LORD WILL BE FULFILLED

4b.) *Fulfilled upon all those who refused to believe*

Verse 30-31

30 "And I will show wonders in the heavens and in the earth: Blood and fire and pillars
of smoke. **31** The sun shall be turned into darkness, And the moon into blood, Before
the coming of the great and awesome day of the LORD

THE WORD OF THE LORD WILL BE FULFILLED

4c.) *Fulfilled so that all might believe*

Verse 32

And it shall come to pass *That* whoever calls on the name of the LORD Shall be saved.
For in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be deliverance, As the LORD has said,
Among the remnant whom the LORD calls.

**The God of the Bible
is a loving, faithful, and merciful God.**

I Personally Believe That God Has Begun to Lift His Hand Off of This Nation.

I Cannot Believe That God Will Bless America Any Longer.

The Lord has been Outlawed among the States

**As a Nation - Our Courts are Corrupt
As a Nation - Our Families are Godless
As a Nation - Our Schools are Godless
As a Nation - Our Government is Godless**

Psalm 1:25-30

Because you disdained all my counsel, And would have none of my rebuke, **26** I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when your terror comes, **27** When your terror comes like a storm, And your destruction comes like a whirlwind, When distress and anguish come upon you. **28** "Then they will call on me, but I will not answer; They will seek me diligently, but they will not find me. **29** Because they hated knowledge And did not choose the fear of the LORD, **30** They would have none of my counsel And despised my every rebuke.

**All That God Has Blessed this Nation with is Failing
All That God Has Blessed this Nation with is Failing
All That God Has Blessed this Nation with is Failing**

A National Hymn of America // The Battle Hymn of the Republic

Mine eyes have seen the glory Of the coming of the Lord; He is trampling out the vintage Where the grapes of wrath are stored; He hath loosed the fateful lightning Of His terrible swift sword; His truth is marching on.

Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! Glory! Glory!

Hallelujah! His truth is marching on.

I have seen Him in the watchfires Of a hundred circling camps They have built Him an altar In the evening dews and damps; I can read His righteous sentence By the dim and flaring lamps; His day is marching on. Glory!

Glory! Hallelujah! Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! Glory! Glory!

Hallelujah! His truth is marching on.

I have read a fiery gospel writ In burnished rows of steel: "As ye deal with My contemnners, So with you My grace shall deal": Let the Hero born of woman Crush the serpent with His heel, Since God is marching on. Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! His truth is marching on.

He has sounded forth the trumpet That shall never call retreat; He is sifting out the hearts of men Before His judgment seat; Oh, be swift, my soul, to answer Him; Be jubilant, my feet; Our God is marching on.

Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! Glory! Glory!

Hallelujah! His truth is marching on.

In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea, With a glory in His bosom That transfigures you and me; As He died to make men holy, Let us die to make men free; While God is marching on. Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! His truth is marching on.

PRAYER NEEDS

If You Need Ministry of Any Kind

as soon as this song is over, you come forward today, and experience God's mercy and grace in your own life.

End of Study