WEEK 8

Joel 1-2:11

Joel 2:13

And rend your heart, and not your garments, and turn unto the LORD your God: for he *is* gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repenteth him of the evil.

**Things To Do This Week**

For God:

For Parents:

For Siblings:

For Others:

For Self:

Date: Time:

Weekly memory verse – Joel 2:13 Time spent in prayer

Read – Joel 1:1-7

Examine –

1. Whose word is this?
2. To whom did it come?
3. Who is his father?

Note: “The opening chapter describes the effects of a severe locust plague which had swept over the land, destroying the agricultural produce on which both man and beast so heavily depended for survival.” Bible Knowledge Commentary

1. Who does he want to hear? (2 groups)
2. Joel is asking here, “Has anyone seen this great of an event before?” Had they?
3. How long will people talk of this event?
4. Give the order that the insects arrived.

Bonus: Tell what each one is like! Give to Pastor Ogle Wednesday night!

1. Who does he encourage to awake?
2. What should they do?
3. What has happened to their wine?
4. Give at least 4 descriptions of the locust from verse 6?
5. What did they do to the vine?
6. What did they do to the fig tree?

Apply-

God sent the plague to get their attention. What has God used in your life to get your attention? (List several)

Have you thanked Him for that lately?

Prayer

Praise

Date: Time:

Main thought to meditate on today:

Weekly memory verse – Joel 2:13 Time spent in prayer

Read – Joel 1:8-11

Examine –

1. Define Lament –
2. How should they lament?
3. What is cut off?
4. From where is it cut off?
5. What are the priests doing?

Note: They are only mourning because they received a portion of these offerings for themselves!

1. What happened to the field?
2. List out beside each item what has happened to it:

Corn –

Wine –

Oil –

Wheat –

Barley –

1. Who should be ashamed?
2. Who should howl?
3. Why are they doing this?

Apply-

You probably don’t have crops to destroy, but what would be very devastating to you?

How are you staying close to God so He does not have to do this?

How close are you now to Him?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today:

Date: Time:

Weekly memory verse – Joel 2:13 Time spent in prayer

Read – Joel 1:12-15

Examine –

1. What is dried up?
2. Define Languisheth –
3. What three specific trees does he mention here?
4. What has happened to all the trees of the field?
5. What has withered away from men?
6. What should the priests do?
7. What should the ministers do?
8. What should they do all night?
9. Why, again, should they do this?
10. Describe in your own words what the people should do in verse 14?
11. Why should they do this?
12. Is this a good thing?
13. What does the author call God here?

Apply-

Have you ever been so burdened over something that you fasted over it?

When is the last time you went without something so you could pray?

Are you willing to?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today:

Date: Time:

Weekly memory verse – Joel 2:13 Time spent in prayer

Read – Joel 1:16-20

Examine –

1. What is cut off from before them?
2. What is not in the house of God?

Note: This not only states that it is bad now but will be bad for a long time to come!

1. What is rotten?
2. Where is it and what is this saying?
3. What is broken down?
4. What are the beasts doing?
5. Who is perplexed?
6. Why are they?
7. What is the condition of the flocks of sheep?
8. What does the author liken the locust to in verse 19?
9. To whom does he cry?
10. Who else cries to Him?
11. What is dried up?

Apply-

Did you know that even the animals had to pay for man’s sin?

Can you list some ways they did?

List some people (or things) who are affected by your sin?

Romans 14:7 “For none of us liveth to himself, and no man dieth to himself.”

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today:

Date: Time:

Weekly memory verse – Joel 2:13 Time spent in prayer

Read – Joel 2:1-6

Examine –

1. What should they blow in Zion?
2. Where should they sound an alarm?
3. What should the inhabitants be doing?
4. Why?
5. How close is it?

Note: Over the next few verses he is going to describe the day of the LORD. If you study what a locust swarm will do to a land it sounds pretty familiar?

1. What kind of day will it be?
2. What kind of people will there be?
3. What is the land like before them?
4. What is it like after they leave?
5. Who shall escape?
6. What do they look and act like?
7. What does it sound like?
8. How do the people respond to this?
9. What will their faces gather?

Apply-

Name some ways you could sound an alarm for the coming of the Lord?

When is the last time that you did one of these things?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today:

Date: Time:

Weekly memory verse – Joel 2:13 Time spent in prayer

Read – Joel 2:7-11

Examine –

He now begins to describe the actual fighting force!

1. How will they run and climb?
2. The last part of this tells us that they are well \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_
3. Verse 8 tells us that they are what?
4. How will they enter houses?
5. List below how each item will respond to this army

Earth –

Heavens –

Sun and moon –

Stars -

1. Whose army is this?
2. Whose voice do they hear?
3. How does this verse describe the day of the LORD?
4. What is the last question he asks them?

God has been Israel’s defender and He now becomes her destroyer!

Apply-

If you are a Christian today then God is your defender. If you do things wrong then He may have to destroy you. Are you living like you want Him to do that? Explain:

God does not want to do that and in verse 12 and following He gives them a chance. We will learn of this next week!

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today:

Date: Time:

Weekly memory verse – Joel 2:13 Time spent in prayer

Read – Joel - Review

Examine –

1. Who writes this book?
2. What has just happened to the country?
3. How long would they tell this story?
4. How many different types of locust are mentioned in verse 4?
5. What has happened to all the crops?
6. Why are the priests sad?
7. What should they do in verse 14?
8. What favorite phrase is used in verse 15?
9. What is gone from the house of the Lord?
10. How are the animals reacting to this?
11. Why are they sounding alarms in Jerusalem?
12. Can you, in your own words, describe this day?
13. Can you describe the army God will bring with Him?

Apply-

Are you ready for God’s judgment?

2 Corinthians 5:10 “For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad.”

What would you change if you knew you would face Him tomorrow?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: