

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

JOEL CHAPTER 2:3-14

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THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:
**"WHAT HAPPENS BEFORE
THE SECOND COMING OF JESUS CHRIST?"**
THE COMING OF THE DAY OF THE LORD DRAWS NEAR

SUBJECT TOPICALLY REFERENCED UNDER:
Judgment, Revival, Repentance, Hope, Humility

Introduction to the Text; Joel 2:3-14

Statement of Textual Summation and Theme

*The Book of Joel
is a message of warnings, a message of indictments
against National Disobedience and the Neglecting
of God Among His People.*

Scriptures Supporting the Holocaust(s) of Israel

2 Chronicles 7:19-20

"But if you abandon me and disobey the laws and commands I have given you, and if you go and worship other gods, :20 then I will uproot the people of Israel from this land of mine that I have given them. I will reject this Temple that I have set apart to honor my name. I will make them to be a spectacle of contempt among the nations.

Remember Christian - The Lord Does Not Delight in Judgment

**"WHAT HAPPENS BEFORE
THE SECOND COMING OF JESUS CHRIST?"**

1.) There is a set location

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1a.) *Location - Mount Zion*

"WHAT HAPPENS BEFORE THE SECOND COMING OF JESUS CHRIST?"

2.) *There is a set Time*

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2a.) *A Time for His Judgments to Come*

"WHAT HAPPENS BEFORE THE SECOND COMING OF JESUS CHRIST?"

3.) *There is a Set Purpose*

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3a.) *The Rise of False Religions and Prophets*

THERE IS A SET PURPOSE

3b.) *The Increase of Natural Disasters*

THERE IS A SET PURPOSE

3c.) *The Advent of Human Lawlessness*

"WHAT HAPPENS BEFORE THE SECOND COMING OF JESUS CHRIST?"

*Joel Looks Ahead to The Global Events
of the Time of Great Tribulation*

Matthew 24:21

For then there will be great tribulation, such as has not been since the beginning of the world until this time, no, nor ever shall be. **22** And unless those days were shortened, no flesh would be saved; but for the elect's sake (Israel) those days will be shortened.

Joel 2:2

A day of darkness and gloominess, A day of clouds and thick darkness, Like the morning *clouds* spread over the mountains. A people *come*, great and strong, The like of whom has never been; Nor will there ever be any *such* after them, Even for many successive generations.

***Joel Begins Now to Describe a Coming War
in The Middle East that is an Earthly Army,
that is Supernaturally Empowered.***

The guess work is removed by the scriptures themselves
when the timing of this event is given...

Here in a parenthetical insert = v.11

Joel 2:11

The LORD gives voice before His army, For His camp is very great; For strong *is the One* who executes His word. ***For the day of the LORD is great and very terrible;***
Who can endure it?

It's Confirmed in Verse 1

Joel 2:1

Blow the trumpet in Zion, And sound an alarm in My holy mountain! Let all the inhabitants of the land tremble; For the day of the LORD is coming,
For it is at hand:

Joel 2:3-9

A fire devours before them, And behind them a flame burns; The land is like the Garden of Eden before them, And behind them a desolate wilderness; Surely nothing shall escape them. **:4** Their appearance is like the appearance of horses; And like swift steeds, so they run. **:5** With a noise like chariots Over mountaintops they leap, Like the noise of a flaming fire that devours the stubble, Like a strong people set in battle array. **:6** Before them the people thrash in pain; All faces are drained of color. **:7** They run like mighty men, They climb the wall like men of war; Every one marches in formation, And they do not break ranks. **:8** They do not push one another; Every one marches in his own column. Though they lunge between the weapons, They are not cut down...**:9** They run to and fro in the city, They run on the wall; They climb into the houses, They enter at the windows like a thief. **:10** The earth quakes before them,

The heavens tremble; The sun and moon grow dark, And the stars diminish their brightness. :11 The LORD gives voice before His army, For His camp is very great; For strong *is the One* who executes His word. ***For the day of the LORD is great and very terrible; Who can endure it?***

"WHAT HAPPENS BEFORE THE SECOND COMING OF JESUS CHRIST?"

1.) *The nations of the world will be positioned*

THE POSITIONING OF THE NATIONS

1a.) *Israel and Jew would come back into existence*

Israel as a Nation Would be Born in a Day

Isaiah 66:8

Who has heard such a thing? Who has seen such things? Shall the earth be made to give birth in one day? *Or shall a nation be born at once?*

Ezekiel 36:1-24

“And you, son of man, prophesy to the mountains of Israel, and say, ‘O mountains of Israel, hear the word of the LORD! **2** Thus says the Lord GOD: “Because the enemy has said of you, ‘Aha! The ancient heights have become our possession,’ ” **3** therefore prophesy, and say, “Thus says the Lord GOD: ‘Because they made *you* desolate and swallowed you up on every side, so that you became the possession of the rest of the nations, and you are taken up by the lips of talkers and slandered by the people”— **4** therefore, O mountains of Israel, hear the word of the Lord GOD! Thus says the Lord GOD to the mountains, the hills, the rivers, the valleys, the desolate wastes, and the cities that have been forsaken, which became plunder and mockery to the rest of the nations all around— **5** therefore thus says the Lord GOD: “Surely I have spoken in My burning jealousy against the rest of the nations and against all Edom, who gave My land to themselves as a possession, with wholehearted joy *and* spiteful minds, in order to plunder its open country.” ’ :**6** “Therefore prophesy concerning the land of Israel, and say to the mountains, the hills, the rivers, and the valleys, “Thus says the Lord GOD: ‘Behold, I have spoken in My jealousy and My fury, because you have borne the shame of the nations.’ ” **7** Therefore thus says the Lord GOD: “I have raised My hand in an oath that surely the nations that *are* around you shall bear their own shame. **8** But you, O mountains of Israel, you shall shoot forth your branches and yield your fruit to My people Israel, for they are about to come. **9** For indeed I *am* for you, and I will turn to you, and you shall be tilled and sown. **10** I will multiply men upon you, all the house of Israel, all of it; and the cities shall be inhabited and the ruins rebuilt. **11** I will multiply upon you man and beast; and they shall increase and bear young; I will make you

inhabited as in former times, and do better *for you* than at your beginnings. Then you shall know that I *am* the LORD. **12** Yes, I will cause men to walk on you, My people Israel; they shall take possession of you, and you shall be their inheritance; no more shall you bereave them *of children*.” **:13** “Thus says the Lord GOD: “Because they say to you, ‘You devour men and bereave your nation *of children*,’ **14** therefore you shall devour men no more, nor bereave your nation anymore,” says the Lord GOD. **15** Nor will I let you hear the taunts of the nations anymore, nor bear the reproach of the peoples anymore, nor shall you cause your nation to stumble anymore,” says the Lord GOD.’ ” **:16** Moreover the word of the LORD came to me, saying: **17** “Son of man, when the house of Israel dwelt in their own land, they defiled it by their own ways and deeds; to Me their way was like the uncleanness of a woman in her customary impurity. **18** Therefore I poured out My fury on them for the blood they had shed on the land, and for their idols *with which* they had defiled it. **19** So I scattered them among the nations, and they were dispersed throughout the countries; I judged them according to their ways and their deeds. **20** When they came to the nations, wherever they went, they profaned My holy name—when they said of them, “These *are* the people of the LORD, *and* yet they have gone out of His land.’ **21** But I had concern for My holy name, which the house of Israel had profaned among the nations wherever they went. **:22** “Therefore say to the house of Israel, “Thus says the Lord GOD: ‘I do not do *this* for your sake, O house of Israel, but for My holy name’s sake, which you have profaned among the nations wherever you went. **23** And I will sanctify My great name, which has been profaned among the nations, which you have profaned in their midst; and the nations shall know that I *am* the LORD,” says the Lord GOD, “when I am hallowed in you before their eyes. **24** For I will take you from among the nations, gather you out of all countries, and bring you into your own land.

Has God Not Brought Back Israel in These Days? Do You See Why Islam Cannot Allow Israel to Exist?

***As long as there is a Jew alive and a land called Israel,
the crescent-moon-god of Islam cannot control the world***

Bible Student, Consider This;

if Satan knows that Jesus Christ is to return to earth and the bible says that Jesus returns to the Jews and to the land of Israel, then what will Satan do to try to prevent the return of Jesus Christ? - -

*If there is no Israel, Then the Bible is Broken.
If there is no Jew, Then the Scriptures are False,
Jesus Christ Cannot Come Back, Because The Bible is not
God's Word at All!*

Insert Some Hope

THE POSITIONING OF THE NATIONS

1b.) *The Roman-European Nations must Rise*

From Daniel 2,7,9,11...

THE POSITIONING OF THE NATIONS

1c.) *The Nations of the World Will Reject Israel*

You will begin to see a greater rejection from the nations of the world against Israel since WW-II, but this time it will be an even greater rejection.

The Oil Producing Countries of the Middle East
are Holding the Cards.

As long as they control the oil, they can execute their agenda.

What is Islam's Agenda?

The Total Domination of the Western Culture
and The Destruction of the Judeo-Christian Influence.

The Perfectly Evil Thing Is...

the West is willingly being set up for the slaughter of our values and freedoms of our wealth, we are drunk on pleasure

**When The United States is Faced with an Ultimatum,
stop defending Israel or Islam will riot, America will dump Israel in a heartbeat.**

Zechariah 14:2

For I will gather all nations against Jerusalem to battle;

I Pray That I Will Not Be Here When America Departs from Supporting Israel.

**"WHAT HAPPENS BEFORE
THE SECOND COMING OF JESUS CHRIST?"**

2.) *Jerusalem would become the most prominent city*

JERUSALEM THE MOST PROMINENT CITY

2a.) *A difficult issue to the world*

Joel 3:1-2

“In those days and at that time, when I restore the fortunes of *Judah* and *Jerusalem*,
:2 I will gather all nations and bring them down to the Valley of Jehoshaphat. There I
will enter into judgment against them concerning my *inheritance*, my people *Israel*, for
they (THE NATIONS OF THE WORLD) have scattered my people among the nations
and partitioned up my land.

Insert Some Hope

JERUSALEM THE MOST PROMINENT CITY

2b.) *A focal point of world attention*

Zachariah 12:1-3

The burden of the word of the LORD against Israel. Thus says the LORD, who
stretches out the heavens, lays the foundation of the earth, and forms the spirit of man
within him: 2 “Behold, I will make Jerusalem a cup of drunkenness to all the
surrounding nations, when they lay siege against Judah and Jerusalem :3 And it shall
happen in that day that I will make Jerusalem a very heavy stone for all peoples; all
who would heave it away will surely be cut in pieces, though all nations of the earth are
gathered against it.

JERUSALEM THE MOST PROMINENT CITY

2b.) *The World will Welcome it's Politic*

The Coming World Leader.
He will arise out of Europe, he will befriend Israel..
He will appease the Muslim world
and give a building permit to the Jews for a temple.
He will jump-start the world economy.
He will establish world peace.
He will answer the problem of Israel and Jerusalem.

Who is He & When Will He Be Elected?

2 Thessalonians 2:3-10

Let no one deceive you by any means; for *that Day will not come* unless the falling away comes first, and the man of sin is revealed, the son of perdition, **4** who opposes and exalts himself above all that is called God or that is worshiped, so that he sits as God in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God. **5** Do you not remember that when I was still with you I told you these things? **6** And now you know what is restraining, that he may be revealed in his own time. **7** For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work; only He who now restrains *will do so* until He is taken out of the way. **8** And then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord will consume with the breath of His mouth and destroy with the brightness of His coming. **9** The coming of the *lawless one* is according to the working of Satan, with all power, signs, and lying wonders, **10** and with all unrighteous deception among those who perish, because they did not receive the love of the truth, that they might be saved. **11** And for this reason God will send them strong delusion, that they should believe the lie,

"WHAT HAPPENS BEFORE THE SECOND COMING OF JESUS CHRIST?"

3.) *The World will come to the brink of destruction*

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3a.) *Armageddon will be man's final battle*

Isaiah 13:4

Hear the noise on the mountains! Listen, as the armies march! It is the noise and the shout of many nations. The LORD Almighty has brought them here to form an army.

Zephaniah 1:14-17

The great day of the LORD *is* near; *It is* near and hastens quickly.

The noise of the day of the LORD is bitter; There the mighty men shall cry out.

15 That day *is* a day of wrath, A day of trouble and distress, A day of devastation and desolation, A day of darkness and gloominess, A day of clouds and thick darkness, **16** A day of trumpet and alarm Against the fortified cities And against the high towers. **17**

"I will bring distress upon men,

And they shall walk like blind men, Because they have sinned against the LORD; Their blood shall be poured out like dust, And their flesh like refuse."

Revelation 16:16

And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon.

Matthew 24:21

For then there will be great tribulation, such as has not been since the beginning of the world until this time, no, nor ever shall be. **22** And unless those days were shortened, no flesh would be saved; but for the elect's sake those days will be shortened.

Matthew 24:29-30

Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken: **:30** And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory.

The World will come to the brink of destruction

3b.) *The forces of the Antichrist will be destroyed*

**The "Perfect Looking" Politician is Yet To Come,
but he is coming...**

Insert Some Hope

The World will come to the brink of destruction

3c.) *The nations will be gathered together in one place*

Joel 3:2

I will also gather all nations, and will bring them down into the valley of Jehoshaphat,

**Beginning in the Kidron Valley,
The Valley of (God Will Judge) Jehoshaphat, the Blood will Flow**

By The Way, This is Where and When,
Matthew 25 Takes Place.

Matthew 25:31

"When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the holy angels with Him, then He will sit on the throne of His glory. **32** All the nations will be gathered before Him, and He will separate them one from another, as a shepherd divides *his* sheep from the goats.

Joel 3:12-16

“Let the nations be wakened, and come up to the Valley of Jehoshaphat; For there I will sit to judge all the surrounding nations. **13** Put in the sickle, for the harvest is ripe. Come, go down; For the winepress is full, The vats overflow— For their wickedness *is* great.” **14** Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision! For the day of the LORD *is* near in the valley of decision. **15** The sun and moon will grow dark, And the stars will diminish their brightness. **16** The LORD also will roar from Zion, And utter His voice from Jerusalem; The heavens and earth will shake; But the LORD will be a shelter for His people, And the strength of the children of Israel.

Insert Some Hope

A Call to Repentance.

Joel 2:12-14

“Now, therefore,” says the LORD, “**Turn** to Me with all your heart, With fasting, with weeping, and with mourning.” **:13** So **rend** your heart, and not your garments; **Return** to the LORD your God, For He *is* gracious and merciful, Slow to anger, and of great kindness; And He relents from doing harm. **:14** **Who knows if He will turn and relent**, And leave a blessing behind Him— A grain offering and a drink offering For the LORD your God?

As is the Heart of the Lord, until His appointed time comes, He extends His hand in mercy - for now, there is still hope!

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