

“The Day of the LORD is at Hand”

Text – Joel 2:31-32; Joel 3

Topic – Two Gatherings in the Great and Terrible Day of the LORD

Series – Prophecies of Joel

Review – Two-part prophecy of the Last Days (Joel 2:28-32)

A. “The Day of the LORD” (Joel 2:30-32)

1. Begins with the _____ of the Church. (1 Thessalonians 4:13-18)
2. Encompasses Seven Years of _____
3. Concludes with the _____ of Jesus Christ
4. The final event of “The Day of the LORD” - the ‘Battle of _____.’ (Rev. 19:11-21; Joel 3)

B. Jew and Gentile will be _____ during the Tribulation Period. (Joel 2:30-32)

1. _____ will evidence the _____ of God’s approaching wrath and judgment. (Joel 2:30-31)
2. God’s judgment is not without His _____. (Joel 2:32)
3. God is _____, and promises to save those who call on His name. (2 Peter 3:9; 2 Chron. 7:14)

Revelation 19 gives us a view of the “Day of the LORD” from the Perspective of the _____.

Joel 3 gives us a view of “The Day of the LORD” from _____ Perspective: **Two Gatherings**

I. **1st Gathering** - God gathers His _____ people to “Judah and Jerusalem” during the _____.

A. When? (3:1)

B. Who? - The _____ will return to Israel during the Tribulation Period. (3:1b)

II. **2nd Gathering** – All _____ will gather against Jerusalem. (Joel 3:2, 12, 14)

A. When is the gathering of the **nations**? (3:1)

B. Where will the nations be gathered? - _____ (3:1-2; Zechariah 14:1-4)

C. Why is God gathering the Gentile nations to Jerusalem? (Matthew 25:41-46; Zechariah 14:2)

1. To _____ the Gentiles for how they have treated Israel. (Matthew 25:41-46; Zechariah 14:2)
2. For _____ committed by the Gentile nations against Israel (3:2-3)

D. Who will be gathered against Jerusalem? (Joel 3:2, 4-6, 19)

Conclusion - Implications of Christ’s Coming

A. We should be _____ for Christ’s coming. (Mark 13:35-37; Luke 12:40; 1 Thess. 5:1-2)

B. Christ’s _____ precede His Second Coming. (1 Cor. 3:13; 2 Cor. 5:10)