

JOEL2:1 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:

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.

2:3 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.

2:4 Their appearance is like the appearance of horses;And like swift steeds, so they run.

2:5 With a noise like chariotsOver mountaintops they leap,Like the noise of a flaming fire that devours the stubble,Like a strong people set in battle array.

2:6 Before them the people writhe in pain;All faces are drained of color.

2:7 They run like mighty men,They climb the wall like men of war;Every one marches in formation,And they do not break ranks.

2:8 They do not push one another;Every one marches in his own column.Though they lunge between the weapons,They are not cut down.

2:9 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.

2:10 The earth quakes before them,The heavens tremble;The sun and moon grow dark,And the stars diminish their brightness.

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?

2:12 "Now, therefore," says the Lord,"Turn to Me with all your heart,With fasting, with weeping, and with mourning."

2:13 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.

2:14 Who knows if He will turn and relent,And leave a blessing behind Him-A grain offering and a drink offeringFor the Lord your God?

2:15 Blow the trumpet in Zion,Consecrate a fast,Call a sacred assembly;

2:16 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.

2:17 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 peoples,'Where is their God?'"

2:18 Then the Lord will be zealous for His land,And pity His people.

2:19 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.

2:20 "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."

2:21 Fear not, O land; Be glad and rejoice, For the Lord has done marvelous things!

2:22 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.

2:23 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.

2:24 The threshing floors shall be full of wheat, And the vats shall overflow with new wine and oil.

2:25 "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.

2:26 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.

2:27 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.

2:28 "And it shall come to pass afterward 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.

2:29 And also on My menservants and on My maidservants I will pour out My Spirit in those days.

2:30 "And I will show wonders in the heavens and in the earth: Blood and fire and pillars of smoke.

2:31 The sun shall be turned into darkness, And the moon into blood, Before the coming of the great and awesome day of the Lord.

2:32 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.

**Good morning everyone. Recently, thunder rang and suddenly heavy rain fell, and I think that the rainy season has finally begun. The days are getting longer and longer. After the rainy season for a month, it's going**

to be summer solstice, but I think that the days will continue to get longer, and June 21st, the day after tomorrow, is the summer solstice. It is surprising that is shortened. The temperature in the daytime is as high as 30 degrees Celsius, and I wear a mask, so I would like you to take water frequently so that you do not suffer from heat stroke and pay attention to your health. Last week I read Chapter 1 of the Book of Joel. Due to the damage of the locusts, all the crops were destroyed, the food was exhausted, and there was a shortage of offerings to the temple and to meet God, and God commanded the priests to do this. "Cry, priests, wear sackcloth on your waist. Weep, those who serve the altar. Come, wear sackcloth, and spend the night, servants of God. Because he was rejected from the house of the god. Consecrate fasts, convene meetings, gather elders, gather all the people of the nation in the house of the LORD your God, and cry out to the LORD." The miracles of Exodus, 10 miracles, and the dry land in the Red Sea, the people soon forgot the god who rescued the people from the Egyptian cavalry, and saw Moses' return late, and the people gave him a golden calf. I did the selfishness of making and praying. We humans have truly deadly weaknesses and disobedience that cannot make God a god. He was taught to remember the child's weaknesses and disobedience, irrelevance, and sin, to repent, to fast, to hold meetings, to cry to the Lord, and to pray. .. Even at the beginning of Chapter 2, locusts are still rampant. 1 You at Zion / Blow the trumpet. Blow an alarm on my holy mountain. All the people of the country must be sieving. Because the day of the Lord will come. It's close. 2: 2 This is a dark, dim day, a cloudy day. Many strong people / cover mountains like darkness. This has never happened before and will not happen again in later years. 2: 3 The fire burns in front of them, and the flame burns after them. Before they came, the land was like the Garden of Eden, but after it left it was like a desolate field. There is nothing that can escape this. 2: 4 Its shape is like a horse, and its running is like a war horse. 2: 5 The sound of jumping at the top of the mountain is like the roar of a tank. It's also like the sound of the flames of fire burning stubble, like a strong army preparing for battle. 2: 6 Before that, all the people are sick, and all their faces lose their color. 2: 7 They run like heroes and climb the walls like soldiers. Each of them goes their own way and does not go down that way. 2: 8 They do not meet each

other, and each goes on that path. Even if they jump into their weapons, they will not hurt themselves. 2: 9 They jumped into the city, ran over the walls, climbed the houses, and entered through the windows like thieves. In Chapter 1, the dragons who want to troll their crops increase their numbers to darken the sky, roar like tanks, and say, "Jump into the town, run over the walls, climb the houses, steal. "Yes from the window," and challenge people directly. 2:10 The earth will be terrified before them, the heavens will be sifted, the sun and the moon will be dark, and the stars will lose their light. 2:11 The Lord speaks out before his army. Because his army is very large. Those who accomplish that word are strong. Who can endure this because the Lord's Day is so terrifying and terrifying? When a catastrophe occurs because of the sin of a person's transgression, and an unprecedented event that has never been seen or heard occurs, or when a person is incessantly collapsed in front of the situation, it is. It is time for us to fear the Lord. 2:12 Says the LORD, "From now on, ye will return to me with fasting, mourning, and sorrow. 2:13 Tear your heart, not your clothes. " Return to the Lord your God. For the Lord is gracious, merciful, slow to get angry, rich in mercy, and reminds us of disaster. 2:14 Who knows that God will turn back and remind us to leave a blessing afterwards, and that the rituals and rituals will not be offered to the LORD your God? (New Interconfessional Translation) 2:14 Or the Lord may reconsider / leave a blessing afterwards / leave grain and wine for the Lord your God. "Go back to me," says the Lord. With all your heart, fasting, mourning, and sadness. The Lord says that you are not clothes, but tear your heart. So thoroughly, in the midst of our real fears and fears, the catastrophes, the things that attack the crops, the walls, the towns, the houses, what we have to do here, too, is the Lord. You will be taught to pray toward God, to return to God, to be heartfelt, to return to me with fasting, mourning, and sorrow, and to tear your heart, not your clothes. In times of suffering, disasters and great times, we are discouraged and unable to do anything, but at this time we should return to God again and return to God, our hearts. Not only did the Israelites tear their clothes and mourn as guided by the Word, but they also broke their hearts and faced God from the bottom of their hearts. You can see that it is an event that gives you time to face God before God. Return to the Lord your God. For the Lord is gracious, merciful, slow to get angry, rich in mercy, and

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reproached among all the people. 2:20 I will drive those who come from the north away from you to the dry wasteland, and the former to the eastern sea, and the latter to the western sea. The smell goes up, and the bad smell goes up. This is because he has done great things. 2:21 The earth is terrifying, joyful and enjoyable, for the LORD has done great things. 2:22 Don't be afraid, all the beasts of the field. The grass in the wilderness is moist, the trees bear fruit, and the fig and vines grow abundantly. 2:23 O Sons of Zion, enjoy joy by the LORD your God. The Lord will give you autumn rain for your righteousness, and will rain abundantly for you, and as before, it will rain autumn and spring. 2:24 The yard is full of grain, and the stone jars are full of new liquor and oil. 2:25 I will atone for you the year of the great army I have sent to you: the swarming locusts, the locusts, the locusts that are destroyed, and the locusts that bite. 2:26 You have eaten enough and have done mysterious works to you, and praise the name of the LORD your God. My people will never be disgraced. 2:27 You know that I am in Israel, and that I, the Lord, is your God and nothing else. My people will never be disgraced. And through this time of repentance and recovery, that word is spoken. 2:28 Then I will pour my spirit on / all the flesh. Your daughter, your daughter, prophecies, your old men dream, and your young men dream. 2:29 That day I will also pour out my spirit as a servant. 2:30 I also show the signs of heaven and earth. That is, there will be blood, fire, and pillars of smoke. 2:31 Before the great and terrifying day of the Lord comes, the day will be dark and the moon will turn into blood. 2:32 All who call the name of the Lord will be saved. For, as the Lord said, there are those who escape from Mount Zion and Jerusalem. Among those who remain, there is one who will be called by the Lord. Peter quoted this book of Joel as "the last days," but "that day" when the hearts of the people were far from God, blood, fire, and pillars of smoke appeared, and the impending destruction. Before the great and terrifying day of the Lord comes, the day is dark, the moon turns into blood, the day of a catastrophe. Nevertheless, those who call the name of the Lord will be saved. 2:12 Says the LORD, "From now on, ye will return to me with fasting, mourning, and sorrow. 2:13 Tear your heart, not your clothes. " Return to the Lord your God. For the Lord is gracious, merciful, slow to get angry, rich in mercy, and reminds us of disaster. I would like to return to this God and

continue to pray to the Lord obediently.

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