



JOEL

YHWH IS GOD

WELCOME! This morning we're beginning a four-week summer study of the Old Testament book of Joel. Each week we'll dig deeply into a section of this prophetic message that prepared God's people to navigate hard times, reminded them of the past, and ultimately revealed the future. Thank you for joining us in worship!

Participate

WORSHIP WITH US THROUGH
ORDINANCES AND TRADITIONS

- » **LORD'S SUPPER, AUGUST 17:** Share in the bread and cup that symbolize our unity through the sacrifice of Jesus Christ. *Gluten-free servings are available at the back of the room for those who need them.*
- » **BELIEVER'S BAPTISM, AUGUST 31:** Proclaim your faith to your church family and follow Jesus in the practice of water baptism. *Sign up in Church Center if you'd like to be baptized during a worship service.*
- » **CHILD DEDICATION, OCTOBER 5:** Parents, commit your children to the Lord as we welcome them into our community. *Sign up in Church Center if your family would like to dedicate a child during a worship service.*
- » **GIVE AT ANY TIME:** Financial giving in Grace Church is an act of worship to be done freely, joyously, and only as prompted by the Lord. *Gifts can be made at any offering box or online through Church Center.*

- I. **Joel's Authority:** The prophet explicitly states that his subsequent message originates from Yahweh, the covenantal name of God. This attribution validates all the pronouncements that follow — Joel 1:1

🔎 *Further Reference: Deuteronomy 28:1–4; 2 Samuel 7:16; Jeremiah 30:9*

- II. **Joel's Message:** The prophet reviews in detail the recent catastrophic event and invites his audience to take inventory of their losses — Joel 1:2–12

- III. **Joel's Exhortation:** The prophet implores the nation to seek God's mercy in response to these tragic events — Joel 1:13–20

🔎 *Further Reference: Ezekiel 33:1; Isaiah 1:3; Romans 5:12, 8:20–23; Ephesians 1:13–14; 1 John 2:17*

Notes

CAPTURE YOUR THOUGHTS
IN THE SPACE BELOW

Takeaways

PROMPTS TO CONSIDER, DISCUSS, AND APPLY WHAT YOU'VE HEARD THIS MORNING

- » How would you summarize the message of the book of Joel?
- » What does the locust invasion bring to mind from your own life?
- » What is your response to stories of judgment in Scripture?
- » What does God's history with Israel teach us about his character?
- » Why does God need to teach the same lessons over and over?
- » If God is speaking, how do we listen?

MEALS OF HOPE for the Wichita Falls Area Food Bank

Saturday, August 2



Help us assemble pallets full of dry ingredients into ready-to-cook bagged meals that will be distributed through the Food Bank to local families in need. Working together in two shifts, we will prepare enough food for 20,000 people to eat a balanced, protein-rich meal. By sharing simple tasks like carrying, measuring, and combining ingredients, everyone can help meet this goal!

- » **WHO:** Anyone in our church family — no age limits!
- » **WHERE:** In the Main Hall (right outside the Auditorium).
- » **WHEN:** This Saturday, August 2 for one hour at either 9:00 or 10:00 AM.
*You can also help with **setup** this Thursday at 6:00 PM.*

To join us in serving, tap Sign Up in the Church Center app or at the top of gracechurch.com, select *Meals of Hope*, and let us know you're coming!

Learn More

WHERE TO GET ANSWERS
AND FIND INFORMATION

WELCOME CENTER: Stop by and talk with us this morning

MONTHLY CALENDAR: Printed list of upcoming events

WEBSITE: Find detailed info online at gracechurch.com

CHURCH CENTER APP: Stay connected and go paperless ➡

