

**WELCOME!** This morning we're continuing 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.

## Bible Study | JOEL 2:1-17

- A Call to Pay Attention: the prophet uses very dramatic language to I. capture the attention of the people. The language is so frightening that the only reasonable response is gripping fear — Joel 2:1-11
  - **♀** *Further Reference: Ezekiel 34:2–4; Jeremiah 7:30–31*

- A Call to Repentance: The Lord now speaks through the prophet to offer II. hope that is rooted in His character — Joel 2:12–14
  - Further Reference: Exodus 34:6; Lamentations 3:21–24; Ezekiel 33:11; 1 Timothy 2:3-6

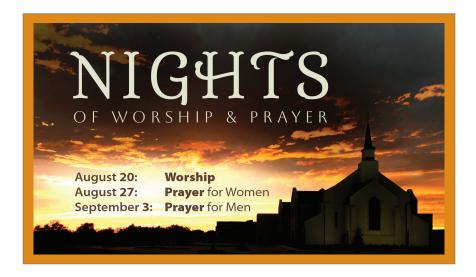
- A Call to Corporate Petition: The entire nation was under judgment, III. therefore God would require corporate participation for deliverance — Joel 2:15-17
  - Further Reference: Matthew 22:37–40; Micah 6:7–8

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## **Takeaways**

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

- » What comes to mind when thinking of an alarm going off?
- » How can fear be helpful?
- » How does the idea of God inciting fear make you feel?
- » When has God grabbed your attention in the past?
- » How can God's warnings point to His steadfast love?
- » How is God welcoming you with open arms to return to Him?



Later this month, as summer winds down and we look toward a new Fall season together, you are invited to join us for three special Wednesday nights. First we'll worship together through song, prayer, and Scripture reading, then we'll spend two nights lifting up our people, ministries, and building to the Lord in prayer.

- WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20: Everyone is welcome in the chapel at this night of worship designed for the entire family. Sing along with the musicians in our church as they lead, then spend time considering the words of Scripture and praying together with others. 6:30 PM
- WEDNESDAY. August 27: Women meet in the chapel then spread out across our campus in groups to pray for the Fall semester. 6:30 PM
- WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3: Men team up to cover our campus in prayer, starting in the chapel and moving out from there. 6:30 PM

## 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

