

# COME • BACK

God \_\_\_\_\_ us to \_\_\_\_\_ -  
This is \_\_\_\_\_

What does repentance \_\_\_\_\_?

\_\_\_\_\_ should we consider repenting?

\_\_\_\_\_ should repent?

# JOEL

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## KEY THEMES

The “day of the Lord” is the dominant theme. Both the nations and Israel experience this judgment. However, for the repentant community, the “day” also holds out the hope of restoration.

## JOEL 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, and your young men shall see visions.”

## KEY VERSE

## SYNOPSIS:

Joel calls all the inhabitants of Judah and Jerusalem to lament and return to the Lord during a time of national calamity. This crisis is precipitated in the first instance by a locust plague that has destroyed both wine and grain and therefore threatens the ability of the people of God to present offerings in the temple. Given this background, Joel may have served as a lament in the ongoing life of God’s people during other times of national tragedy.