

## JOEL 2:18–32

<sup>18</sup> Then the Lord was jealous for his land  
and took pity on his people.

<sup>19</sup> The Lord replied to them:

“I am sending you grain, new wine and olive oil,  
enough to satisfy you fully;

never again will I make you  
an object of scorn to the nations.

<sup>20</sup> “I will drive the northern horde far from you,  
pushing it into a parched and barren land;  
its eastern ranks will drown in the Dead Sea  
and its western ranks in the Mediterranean Sea.

And its stench will go up;  
its smell will rise.”

Surely he has done great things!

<sup>21</sup> Do not be afraid, land of Judah;  
be glad and rejoice.

Surely the Lord has done great things!

<sup>22</sup> Do not be afraid, you wild animals,  
for the pastures in the wilderness are becoming green.

The trees are bearing their fruit;  
the fig tree and the vine yield their riches.

<sup>23</sup> Be glad, people of Zion,  
rejoice in the Lord your God,

for he has given you the autumn rains  
because he is faithful.

He sends you abundant showers,  
both autumn and spring rains, as before.

<sup>24</sup> The threshing floors will be filled with grain;  
the vats will overflow with new wine and oil.

<sup>25</sup> “I will repay you for the years the locusts have eaten—  
the great locust and the young locust,  
the other locusts and the locust swarm—

my great army that I sent among you.

<sup>26</sup> You will have plenty to eat, until you are full,  
and you will praise the name of the Lord your God,  
who has worked wonders for you;

never again will my people be shamed.

<sup>27</sup> Then you will know that I am in Israel,  
that I am the Lord your God,  
and that there is no other;

never again will my people be shamed.

<sup>28</sup> “And afterward,  
I will pour out my Spirit on all people.

Your sons and daughters will prophesy,  
your old men will dream dreams,  
your young men will see visions.

<sup>29</sup> Even on my servants, both men and women,  
I will pour out my Spirit in those days.

<sup>30</sup> I will show wonders in the heavens  
and on the earth,  
blood and fire and billows of smoke.

<sup>31</sup> The sun will be turned to darkness  
and the moon to blood  
before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the Lord.

<sup>32</sup> And everyone who calls  
on the name of the Lord will be saved;

for on Mount Zion and in Jerusalem  
there will be deliverance,  
as the Lord has said,

even among the survivors  
whom the Lord calls.

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