

WEEK 1: Prophet Joel



[OVERVIEW of Minor Prophets:]

- **Contents:** Last 12 books of Old Testament (*Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah, Malachi*)
 - **Name:** “The Twelve” (often bound as one book)
or “Minor Prophets” (minor in size, not significance!)
 - **Date:** c. 800s—400s B.C. (spans two major exiles and the return to Israel)
 - **Arrangement:** Reason unknown (not in chronological order)
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[OUTLINE Joel:]

<i>ISRAEL</i>		<i>NATIONS</i>
1:1—2:11	_____	2:28—3:21
2:12-17	_____	(??)
2:18-27	_____	(??)

[READ: Acts 2:16-21, 36-41]

[THINK:]

Q: What specific sins is Joel confronting within Israel?

Q: What purpose might this confrontation serve in Joel?

*“I will restore to you the
years that the swarming
locust has eaten.”*

—Joel 2:25

KEY THEMES / VERSES:

- Judgment (depicted by locusts, “Day of the LORD”), Repentance, and Restoration
- Joel 1:4, 2:12-13, 2:25-26