

March 10, 2024 Chapter 2:18-32

2:18 is a great "but God..." verse

Why does God have pity on His people?

Is it because they repent?

What is God saving His people from (according to 2:20)? (what happened to the locusts?)

Compare "great" in verse 20 with verse 21

2:21-23 For what are the people to "rejoice and be glad"? What about us today?

2:25 – Locusts again
Restoring "years"
How could this phrase apply to your life today?

The refrain in verse 2:26 and 2:27 is Good News! But how do we understand "never again"?

Remember the "Day of the Lord..."

2:27 What is the purpose of all the "restoration"?

2:28

When will the Holy Spirit be poured out?

(Hey look, the Holy Spirit in the Old Testament!)

On whom will the Spirit be poured out?

For what purpose?

2:30-32 sounds like Revelation (it is "apocalyptic" imagery)
What event(s) are brought to mind?

2:32

Who is saved?

Does this mean saying a certain "faith prayer"?

Or is there something deeper?

Acts 2:38, 22:16; Matthew 7:21-23; Luke 6:46; Joel 2:32

Does "Mount Zion" refer to the hill in the nation/state of Israel or something else?

Hebrews 12:22-24; Ephesians 2:11-13; Revelation 21 Galatians 3:26-29

What is significant about a "remnant"?

Is the directive to "return to the Lord" (2:12) and God's blessings – especially the outpouring of the Holy Spirit – a "one time" thing?

³² And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved. For in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be those who escape, as the Lord has said, and among the survivors shall be those whom the Lord calls.

Joel 2:32