Text: Various Topics: Judgment, Repentance, Restoration Series: Minor books, Major Messages Monroe Bible Church May 26, 2024 Pastor Dan Krahenbuhl

Joel: Locusts & The Day of the Lord

I. Reading the Prophets

II. Recognizing Your Times (1:1-2:11)

A disaster can be God's warning!

III. Repenting of Your Sin (2:12-17)

Repentance is to be <u>fully sincere</u>, without <u>presumption</u>, and rooted in the merits of God not us.

IV. Resting in God's Restoration (2:18-3:21)

In the Day of the Lord the Lord's justice will <u>prevail</u>; nations will be <u>judged</u>, and Israel will be <u>restored</u>.

<u>Christ</u> will <u>reign</u> in righteousness and justice!

<u>Application Questions</u> - These questions are provided for your further study and application of the subject of today's message. Thoughtfully writing out answers to these questions will help drive home the point. They are designed to be discussed in your home, with other believers, and in a Life Group for even more benefit.

1. Read Joel 1:1-12. How would you describe the conditions in Judah? What does Joel urge the people to do? (verses 13-14)

What does Joel say about "The Day of the Lord" (1:15; 2:1, 11)?

Have you experienced a disaster that might be a warning from God? Explain.

2. Describe the repentance Joel urges from the people in Joel 2:12-17.

Have you repented of sin in the past? Describe it.

- 3. Joel describes what will happen in The Day of the Lord in Joel 2:18-3:21. What does Joel tell his readers the Lord will do in 2:18-27, and why will He?
- 4. Read Joel 2:28-32. What will happen "after this" (2:28)?
- 5. What does Joel say will happen to various nations in The Day of the Lord in Joel 3:1-21?
- 6. What response(s) to Joel is the Lord impressing on you? In what ways is this book encouraging?