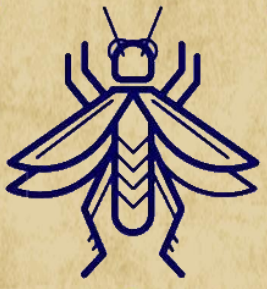




Messengers: Joel





How we view our present circumstance should ALWAYS be in the light of what's ahead (we are to live life with eternity's value in mind)

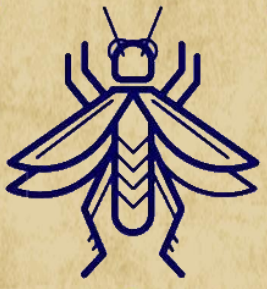




“The Day of the Lord”

is presented as imminent and very near
(it’s an incredibly scary day, where
wrath and judgment are poured out on
ALL who have rejected God)





Followers of Christ look toward
The Day of the Lord with great
expectation because it is a day of
glorious salvation for us

Joel 2:1-17





The Book of Joel continues on
in the beginning of chapter 2,
confronting superficial humbleness
and outward conformity





Joel: Humbled and Submitted





Joel 2:1-2

God had allowed this swarm of locusts to infest His people's land as a way to wake them up and get their attention





God's people were humbled,
BUT Joel in the start of chapter 2
is proclaiming "our nation is NOT
fully surrendered"

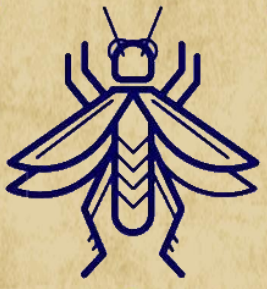
Joel 2:3-9





What vivid imagery – paralleling
the plague of swarming locusts
to the imminent arrival of
The Day of the Lord





Devastation and destruction
is in the distance, BUT time is of the
essence – present action is required
BEFORE it is TOO LATE

Joel 2:10-11





Joel is begging that God would
come and break through the stubborn
spiritual stupor of the people and bring
them to a place where they are
truly broken and repent

Joel 2:12-14





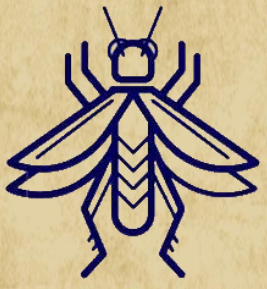
“Yet even now” = there’s
STILL time...it’s NOT TOO LATE!





“Rending your garment” = tearing your clothes, ripping open, being exposed before the Lord (an outward expression associated with repentance)

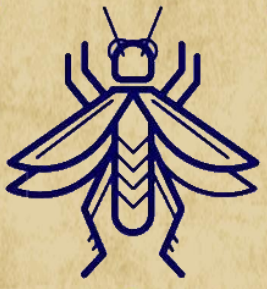




I John 1:8-10

Joel 2:15-17





There's a call to collectively
come together and beg God
(to cry out to Him with one mouth
in one voice and one heart)

