

Minor Prophets, Important Message

Delivering God's Word While Awaiting the Advent

The Promise of Destruction

Joel 1:1-2:17

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With catastrophe comes a race to blame someone or something for the disaster. Some even use the so-called “loss of innocent life” as proof that God does not exist, or He is not kind and compassionate. As believers we understand God’s judgment as an opportunity for repentance.

I. P_____ (1:5-13)

Woe to those who rise early in the morning
in pursuit of beer,
who linger into the evening,
inflamed by wine.

¹²At their feasts they have lyre, harp,
tambourine, flute, and wine.

They do not perceive the LORD’s actions,
and they do not see the work of His hands. Isaiah 5:11-12

“I planted you, a choice vine
from the very best seed.

How then could you turn into
a degenerate, foreign vine?”

Jeremiah 2:21

II. P_____ (1:14-20)

“The ox knows its owner,
and the donkey its master’s feeding trough,
but Israel does not know;
My people do not understand.”

Isaiah 1:3

III. P_____ (2:1-17)

The sacrifice pleasing to God is a broken spirit.

God, You will not despise a broken and humbled heart.

Psalms 51:17

Then the LORD passed in front of him and proclaimed:
“Yahweh—Yahweh is a compassionate and gracious God,
slow to anger and rich in faithful love and truth...”

Exodus 34:6

