

MARCH Theme: My People, My Heritage

MORNING WORSHIP

1 March 2009

Title: **"My people, My Heritage"**

Text: **Joel 3**

(I) THE HISTORICAL CONTEXT OF JOEL'S MINISTRY

- 1. Plague of locust (Joel 1:4)**
- 2. Impending war (Joel 1:6)**
- 3. Devastation of the land (Joel 1:10-12)**

(II) THE THEOLOGICAL CONTEXT OF JOEL'S PROPHECY

1. The Day of the Lord

- a) Concept introduced **(Joel 1:15)**
- b) Concept explained **(Joel 2:1, 31)**

2. Four aspects to be considered:-

- a) The Immediate
 - i) Locust plague
 - ii) Impending invasion
- b) The Negative
 - i) Disaster
 - ii) Devastation
 - iii) Destruction
- c) The ultimate
 - i) Final Judgment (future)
 - ii) The Return of the Lord Jesus (cf. **2 Peter 3:10**)
- d) The positive
 - i) With reference to God's people
 - ii) God has a different plan for them

(III) THE PERSONAL CONTEXT

1. God's Covenant-Relationship with Israel

a) Israel as God's people

"...My people..." Joel 3:2

b) Israel as God's heritage

"...My heritage..." Joel 3:2

2. God's Commitment to His people

a) Return of His people

*"...behold, in those days and at that time,
When I bring back the captives of Judah and Jerusalem" Joel 3:1*

b) Retribution to enemies

*"I will also gather all nations
And bring them down to the Valley of Jehoshaphat;
And I will enter into judgment with them there..." Joel 3:2*

c) Reference to His people

"...On account of My people, My heritage Israel..." Joel 3:2

d) Remembrance of God's covenant

(IV) PERTINENT TO THE NEW COVENANT PEOPLE

"But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light; who once were not a people but are now the people of God, who had not obtained mercy but now have obtained mercy." 1 Peter 2:9-10

1. A chosen generation

2. A royal priesthood

3. A holy nation

4. His own special people

MORNING WORSHIP

Title: Be Glad and Rejoice
Text: Joel 3

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MORNING WORSHIP

Title: A Shelter for His people
Text: Joel 3
Combined Worship
Church Family Camp

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MORNING WORSHIP

Title: I am the LORD your God
Text: Joel 3
Combined Worship
Post-Church Family Camp

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MORNING WORSHIP

Title: I will acquit them
Text: Joel 3

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EVENING WORSHIP

01.03.09

Title: The LORD will be zealous for His land M/M
Text: Joel 2

08.03.09

Title: My people shall never be put to shame CT
Text: Joel 2

15.03.09

COMBINED WORSHIP
Church Family Camp

22.03.09

COMBINED WORSHIP
Post Church Family Camp

BILINGUAL WORSHIP

01 March 2009

Title: Revive Me

Text: Psalm 119:25-32

WHAT IS REVIVAL?

1. It is a special work of God in our spirit
2. He helps us to come alive
3. He helps us overcome dismal feelings

WHY DO WE NEED REVIVAL?

1. There will be times when we feel low
"My soul clings to the dust" Psalm 119:25a
2. There will be times when we feel heavy-hearted
"My soul melts from heaviness" Psalm 119:28
3. These feelings may be caused by:-
 - a) External circumstances
 - b) Internal feelings

HOW DO WE GET REVIVAL?

1. We must face ourselves honestly
2. We must cry out to the Lord with all our heart
"Revive me" Psalm 119:25a
3. God will answer our prayer
"You answered me" Psalm 119:26b

HOW DOES GOD BRING ABOUT REVIVAL?

1. It will be according to His word Psalm 119:25b
2. He will teach us His statutes Psalm 119:26-27
3. He will strengthen us Psalm 119:28b
4. He will enlarge our heart Psalm 119:32b