Series: The Day of the Lord <u>Title</u>: The Immediate Day of the Lord <u>Text</u>: (Joel 1: 1 - 20)

The Immediate Day of the Lord: (Chapter 1) The Imminent Day of the Lord: (Chapter 2) The Ultimate Day of the Lord: (Chapter 3)

I. Introduction:

- A. Foretell Judah of coming judgment for their sin.
- B. Exhort Judah to turn their hearts to the Lord.
 - 1. Men's hearts are turned to God through calamity.
 - 2. Humility is the response to the day of judgment.
 - 3. The heart is unhealthy until it is broken.
 - 4. God can only bless when we depend on Him.
- C. Inform Judah of the Ultimate Day of the Lord.
- D. Highlight Humility in Worship: (Vs 1:13-14)

II. The Plague: (Ch 1-20)

A. A Call to Regard: (Vs 1-7)

- 1. The Prophet: (vs 1)
- 2. The Proclamation: (Vs 2-3)
- 3. The Pestilence: (Vs 4-5)
- 4. The Plunder: (Vs 6-7)

B. A Call to Repent: (Vs 8-13)

- 1. Lament: (Vs 8, 13)
- 2. Crop Failure: (Vs 9-12)

C. A Call to Return: (Vs 14-20)

- 1. Call of Joel: (vs 14-15)
- 2. Lament of Joel: (Vs 16-18)
- 3. Prayer of Joel: (Vs 19-20)