

**Series: The Day of the Lord (10/9/24)**

**Title: The Imminent Day of the Lord:**

**Text: (Joel 2: 1 - 32)**

**The Immediate Day of the Lord: (Chapter 1)**

**The Imminent Day of the Lord: (Chapter 2)**

**The Ultimate Day of the Lord: (Chapter 3)**

## **II. The Imminent Day of the Lord: 2: 1 - 27**

Day of the Lord seen in the Assyrian Invasion

### **A. Blow the Trumpet: vs 1 - 11**

Assyrian Invasion Typified by the Locust Invasion.

1. Their power. vs 1, 2
2. Their destructive force. vs 3
3. The swift movement of the troops. vs 4 - 7
4. The unconquerable might of the foes. vs 8 -10
5. The opposing army of God at Armageddon. vs 11

### **B. Rend Your Hearts: vs12-17**

Destruction & Desolation can be Halted by Repentance

1. Need of genuine, true repentance. vs 12 -14
2. Call to prayer. vs 15 - 17

### **C. Believe the Promises: vs 18 - 27**

A Promise of Deliverance from the Lord

1. Reassuring, gracious God intervenes. vs 18 - 20
2. Return of gladness. vs 21 -24
3. Restoration of the lost years. vs 25 - 27

## **Challenge:**

Over the Next 2 Weeks, as we lead up to the Revival Services.

1. Plan now to be at every service. DON'T Make excuses.
2. Choose a day or meal to fast. Keep it a secret between you & the Lord. Humble your heart by confessing your

sin & acknowledging your dependence upon God as King of all.

3. Meditate on Joel 2:13. Pray for yourself, family, community, church, and nation.
4. Read (Isaiah 36-37) Take time to imagine the dread the residents of Jerusalem were feeling as they heard of the approaching Assyrian army. Think of your beautiful children, loved ones, home, and city.
5. ***Is your faith unwavering or are you struggling to trust in the Lord?***
6. Then, on the day you heard of the miraculous death of 185,000 Assyrians & their army's subsequent retreat, ***IMAGINE what your response would be?***
7. ***“Is there anything TOO hard for the Lord? NO, Nothing!”***

## **Prayer Focus**

- \* Praise God that He is Lord over everything.
- \* Thank God for His amazing grace, compassion, slowness to anger, abundance of love to YOU
- \* Ask that God STIR you from your Comfort Zone.
- \* Ask that God Strengthen you & the church for the coming Day of the Lord when His presence breaks through in our services.
- \* Ask that God Show you what He can do in your life, marriage, children, and Service to Him as you commit NOW to be faithful to HIM! (Foundational 5)