

BIB 241 Minor Prophets

Lesson 2 - Joel

Intro. One of the earliest prophets. Possibly during the time when Joash was yet a boy under Johoia. He preaches solely to the Southern kingdom without mention of the norther Kingdom. His dominant theme throughout the book is the coming day of the Lord. He is predicting in essence the terribleness of the Babylonian captivity and destruction but certainly looking to its ultimate fulfillment to the great day of the Lord in the future. I Thes. 5 II Thes. 2.

1. The Plagues of the Day of the Lord - Ruin (1) First fulfillment - Literal
 - A. Locusts 1-7
 1. literal or symbolic or apocalyptic YES - normal fulfillment with the prophets that their prophecies would be all three
 2. Rev. 9:1-11
 - B. Lament 8-20
 - C. Effect upon religious offering 8-13
 - D. Call for fasting, solemn assembly - "the day of the LORD is at hand" 14-16
 - E. The livestock have no pasture as green grass is burnt - refer to Revelation
2. The Punishment of the Day of the Lord - Repentance (2) Future fulfillment - Symbolical
 3. Raiding - Coming Northern invasion from Babylon 1-11
 4. Second plague v 3, 10
 5. Rev. 9:13-21
 6. Repentance 12-17
 7. Restoration 18-27
 8. Revival 28-32
 1. Fulfilled partially on Pentecost – quoted by Peter
 2. 144,000 during tribulation 2 witnesses
 3. Verse 31 key phrase
 4. Verse 32 Whosoever again referring to Jew and Gentile "whom the Lord shall call"
3. The Promise of the Day of the Lord - Recompence (3) Final fulfillment - Apocalyptic
 - A. Battle of Jehoshaphat for His remnant Rom. 11 (1-8)
 - B. Gathering (9-17) Rev. 14:19-20
 - C. Millennial blessing (18-21)

Conclusion

Solution is always repentance

Day of the LORD is the Grand finale before the coming kingdom - the stage is being set