

# Scripture

## Joel 2:21-32 (NLT)

**21** Don't be afraid, O land.

Be glad now and rejoice,  
for the Lord has done great things.

**22** Don't be afraid, you animals of the field,  
for the wilderness pastures will soon  
be green.

The trees will again be filled with fruit;  
fig trees and grapevines will be loaded  
down once more.

- 23** Rejoice, you people of Jerusalem!  
Rejoice in the Lord your God!  
For the rain he sends demonstrates  
his faithfulness.  
Once more the autumn rains will come,  
as well as the rains of spring.
- 24** The threshing floors will again be piled  
high with grain, and the presses will  
overflow with new wine and olive oil.

**25** The Lord says, “I will give you back what you lost to the swarming locusts, the hopping locusts, the stripping locusts, and the cutting locusts.

It was I who sent this great destroying army against you.

**26** “Once again you will have all the food you want, and you will praise the Lord your God, who does these miracles for you. Never again will my people be disgraced.

27 “Then you will know that I am among my people Israel, that I am the Lord your God, and there is no other. Never again will my people be disgraced.”

## **The Lord's Promise of His Spirit**

- 28** “Then, after doing all those things,  
I will pour out my Spirit upon all people.  
Your sons and daughters will prophesy.  
Your old men will dream dreams,  
and your young men will see visions.
- 29** “In those days I will pour out my Spirit  
even on servants — men and women  
alike.
- 30** “And I will cause wonders in the heavens  
and on the earth — blood and fire and  
columns of smoke.”

31 The sun will become dark, and the moon will turn blood red before that great and terrible day of the Lord arrives.

32 But everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved, for some on Mount Zion in Jerusalem will escape, just as the Lord has said.

These will be among the survivors whom the Lord has called.