

Joel (Yo'el - Yahweh is God)

Son of Pethniel (1:1)

When did Joel prophesy?

Date: Uncertain

Probably 9th century BC.

Possibly during the reign of Joash or Amaziah

Joash (875 – 835BC) 40yrs (2 Chron.24:1)

Amaziah (835 – 806 BC) 29yrs (2 Chron.25:1)

Uzziah -Azariah (806 – 754BC) 52yrs (2 Chron.26:3)

Mentions - Phoenicia; Philistia; Egypt; and Edom

Who did Joel prophesy to?

Southern Kingdom

Events

Destruction of the harvest

A swarm of locusts

Severe drought

Connection with Amos who prophesied in the days of King Uzziah

Joel 3:16 and Amos 1:2

Joel 3:18 and Amos 9:13

What is the Message of Joel?

Theme: The day of the Lord

Chapter One

Natural disaster that has happened

Chapter Two

The Day of the Lord – judgment on Zion(ch.2:1-14)

Restoration (2:15-27)

The time of the Holy Spirit (2:28-32)

Chapter Three

The harvest of God's wrath upon the Gentiles

Valley of Jehoshaphat

Restoration of Zion