

Background

- What does the Lecture suggest about the author of this book?
- What does the Lecture suggest about the date of this book?
- What does the Lecture suggest about the occasion for this book? How does this help us understand the contents and message of this book?

Outline

- What are the three main sections of Joel? What does each section generally cover? What are the subsections in each? What does this all tell us about the overall content of this book? How does this help us to read, understand, and apply Joel?

Content

- What are the key verses of Joel? What does each highlight? What does each tell us about the overall content and message of Joel? What does each tell us about how God deals with His people?
- How does Joel tell God's people to respond to the disasters of their day? Why? How does this apply to us in our difficult situations?
- How does Joel describe the coming "Day of the Lord"? How did that compare with their expectations? Why does this matter?
- Describe the promise Joel gave to the people in the last key verse? What was promised? How was this fulfilled? How should we respond?

Themes

- Explain the theological theme in your own words. What does it tell us about the content, message and significance of Hosea? How should this idea be applied in current life?
- How does the concept of the "Day of the Lord" help us understand the Old Testament as a whole? How will this day bring to fulfillment the Old Testament promises? How should God's people prepare for that day?

Review

- Review the three main sections of Joel and work toward committing them to memory.
- Review the key theme of Joel and work toward committing it to memory.