

How To Restore Our Past

When you get stuck in a certain scripture or topic, don't try to get out. -Jeremy Pearsons

Ephesians 5:15-16 (KJV) 15 See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise,
16 Redeeming the time, because the days are evil.

Joel 1:2-4 (NASB) 2 Hear this, O elders, And listen, all inhabitants of the land. Has *anything like* this happened in your days Or in your fathers' days?
3 Tell your sons about it, And *let* your sons *tell* their sons, And their sons the next generation.
4 What the **gnawing locust** has left, the **swarming locust** has eaten; And what the swarming locust has left, the **creeping locust** has eaten; And what the creeping locust has left, the **stripping locust** has eaten.

Repent & Return:

Joel 2:12-27 (NASB)

12 "Yet even now," declares the LORD, "Return to Me with all your heart, And with fasting, weeping and mourning;
13 And rend your heart and not your garments." Now return to the LORD your God, For He is gracious and compassionate, Slow to anger, abounding in lovingkindness And relenting of evil.
14 Who knows whether He will *not* turn and relent And leave a blessing behind Him, *Even* a grain offering and a drink offering For the LORD your God?

Receive Your Lord & His Anointing; Let the Bride Act Like One:

15 Blow a trumpet in Zion, Consecrate a fast, proclaim a solemn assembly,
16 Gather the people, sanctify the congregation, Assemble the elders, Gather the children and the nursing infants. Let the bridegroom come out of his room And the bride out of her *bridal* chamber.

Pray in Faith As The Righteous:

17 Let the priests, the LORD'S ministers, Weep between the porch and the altar, And let them say, "Spare Your people, O LORD, And do not make Your inheritance a reproach, A byword among the nations. Why should they among the peoples say, 'Where is their God?'"
18 Then the LORD will be zealous for His land And will have pity on His people.
19 The LORD will answer and say to His people, "Behold, I am going to send you grain, new wine and oil, And you will be satisfied *in full* with them; And I will never again make you a reproach among the nations.
20 "But I will remove the northern *army* far from you, And I will drive it into a parched and desolate land, And its vanguard into the eastern sea, And its rear guard into the western sea. And its stench will arise and its foul smell will come up, For it has done great things."
21 Do not fear, O land, rejoice and be glad, For the LORD has done great things.
22 Do not fear, beasts of the field, For the pastures of the wilderness have turned green, For the tree has borne its fruit, The fig tree and the vine have yielded in full.
23 So rejoice, O sons of Zion, And be glad in the LORD your God; For He has given you the early rain for *your* vindication. And He has poured down for you the rain, The early and latter rain as before.
24 The threshing floors will be full of grain, And the vats will overflow with the new wine and oil.
25 "**Then I will make up to you for the years** That the swarming locust has eaten, The creeping locust, the stripping locust and the gnawing locust, My great army which I sent among you.
26 "You will have plenty to eat and be satisfied And praise the name of the LORD your God, Who has dealt wondrously with you; Then My people will never be put to shame.
27 "Thus you will know that I am in the midst of Israel, And that I am the LORD your God, And there is no other; And My people will never be put to shame.

I WILL RESTORE TO YOU TIME!

- How does He do that?!
- We don't have to know how, when we know WHO!
- He operates outside of time!

When He says to redeem it, He is inviting us to operate with Him outside the bounds of time!

Stay In The Flow Of The Spirit!

Joel 2:28-29 (NASB) 28 "It will come about after this That **I will pour out My Spirit on all mankind**; And your sons and daughters will prophesy, Your old men will dream dreams, Your young men will see visions.
29 "Even on the male and female servants **I will pour out My Spirit in those days**.

Ephesians 5:13-21 (NASB) 13 But all things become visible **when they are exposed by the light**, for everything that becomes visible is light.
14 For this reason it says, "Awake, sleeper, And arise from the dead, And Christ [*the Anointed One & His Anointing*] **will shine** on you."
15 **Therefore** be careful how you walk, not as unwise men but as wise,
16 making the most of your time [**redeeming the time**], because the days are evil.
17 So then do not be foolish, but **understand what the will of the Lord is**.
18 And do not get drunk with wine, for that is dissipation, but **be filled with the Spirit**,
19 speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody with your heart to the Lord;
20 always giving thanks for all things in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to God, even the Father;
21 and be subject to one another in the fear of Christ.