

*Greetings, today our manna is 2Kings 22; Hebrews 4; Joel 1; Psalm 140;141.*

## *November 9 - Melchizedek Devotional Perspective*

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**2Kings 22** Praise Yah for Josiah being a king that did right in the eyes of YHWH!

### **Josiah Reigns in Judah**

**2Ki 22:1** **Yoshiyahu was eight years old** when he began to reign, and he reigned **thirty-one years** in Yerushalayim. And his mother's name was Yedidah the daughter of Adayah of Botsqath.

**2Ki 22:2** And he did **what was right** in the eyes of **יהוה**, and walked in all the ways of his father Dawid, and did not turn aside, right or left.

### **Josiah Repairs the Temple**

**2Ki 22:3** And it came to be, **in the eighteenth year of Sovereign Yoshiyahu**, that the sovereign sent Shaphan the scribe, son of Atsalyahu, son of Meshullam, to the House of **יהוה**, saying,

✚ **2Ki 22:4** “Go up to Hilqiyahu the high priest, and let him weigh the silver which has been brought into the House of **יהוה**, which the doorkeepers have gathered from the people.

✚ **2Ki 22:5** “And let them give it into the hand of those doing the work, who are the overseers in the House of **יהוה**. And let them give it to those who are in the House of **יהוה** doing the work, **to strengthen the breach of the house**,

- **2Ki 22:6** to carpenters and to builders and to stonemasons, and to buy timber and hewn stone to strengthen the house.

**2Ki 22:7** “However, let not the silver given into their hand be reckoned with them, for they are acting trustworthily.”

The temple and the whole Aaronic priestly system were in utter disarray. This is evident by the fact that the Book of the Law had been lost and then found! This let's us know that pretty much no one had been guarding His Word.

We will also see in 2Kings 22 & 23, that the Book of the Law and the Book of the Covenant are mentioned by their proper names. The two are not synonymous. The Book of the Law had been placed in a holder 'beside' the ark that held the 'Book of the Covenant.' [Duet 31:26]

Deu 31:26 "Take this Book of the Torah [Law], and you shall place it beside the ark of the covenant of יהוה your Elohim, and it shall be there as a witness against you,

### Hilkiah Finds the Book of the Law

2Ki 22:8 And Hilkiah the high priest said to Shaphan the scribe,

✚ "I have found **the Book of the Torah** [Law] in the House of יהוה." And Hilkiah gave the book to Shaphan, and he read it.

✚ 2Ki 22:9 And Shaphan the scribe came to the sovereign, and brought word to the sovereign again, saying, "Your servants have gathered the silver that was found in the house, and have given it into the hand of those who do the work, who oversee the House of יהוה."

✚ 2Ki 22:10 And Shaphan the scribe informed the sovereign, saying, "**Hilkiah the priest has given me a book.**" And Shaphan read it before the sovereign.

✚ 2Ki 22:11 And it came to be, when the sovereign heard the words of **the Book of the Torah** [Law], that he tore his garments,

2Ki 22:12 **and the sovereign commanded** Hilkiah the priest, and Ahiqam son of Shaphan, and Akbor son of Mikayah, and Shaphan the scribe, and Asayah a servant of the sovereign, saying,

✚ 2Ki 22:13 "Go, inquire of יהוה **for me**, for **the people** and **for all Yehudah**, concerning the words of this book that has been found.

✚ For **great is the wrath of יהוה that is kindled against us**, because our fathers have not obeyed the words of this book, to do according to all that is written concerning us."

✚ 2Ki 22:14 Then Hilkiah the priest, and Ahiqam, and Akbor, and Shaphan, and Asayah went to Huldah the prophetess, the wife of Shallum son of Tiqwah, son of Harhas, keeper of the wardrobe. Now she was dwelling in Yerushalayim in the Second Quarter. And they spoke with her.

Huldah the prophetess inquires to YHWH.

2Ki 22:15 **And she said to them**, "Thus said יהוה Elohim of Yisra'el, 'Say to the man who sent you to Me,

2Ki 22:16 "Thus said יהוה,

✚ 'See, I am bringing evil on this place and on its inhabitants, all the words of the book which the sovereign of Yehudah has read,

✚ 2Ki 22:17 because they have forsaken Me and burned incense to other mighty ones to provoke Me with all the works of their hands.

✚ And so My wrath shall be kindled against this place and not be quenched.' " "

YHWH sends a special word to King Josiah.

2Ki 22:18 “And to the sovereign of Yehudah, who sent you to inquire of יהוה, say this to him, ‘Thus said יהוה Elohim of Yisra’el,

- + “As for the words which you have heard,
- + 2Ki 22:19 because your heart was tender, and you humbled yourself before יהוה when you heard what I spoke against this place and against its inhabitants, that they would become a ruin and a curse,
- + and did tare your garments and wept before Me, **I also have heard,**” declares יהוה.

2Ki 22:20 **“Therefore, see, I am gathering you to your fathers, and you shall be gathered to your burial-site in peace, so that your eyes do not see all the evil I am bringing on this place.”** ’ ” And they brought word to the sovereign.

## Hebrews 4

Hebrews 4 expounds on the [importance of the Sabbath](#). One thing for certain, the [bride of Messiah](#), will most certainly be in step with guarding His Sabbaths.

His bride has heard His voice. His bride knows His voice. His bride has entered His rest.

**Heb 4:1** Therefore, since a promise remains of entering into His rest, let us fear lest any of you seem to have come short of it.

**Heb 4:2** For indeed the Good News was brought to us as well as to them, but the word which they heard did not profit them, not having been mixed with belief in those who heard it.

**Heb 4:3** For we who have believed do enter into that rest, as He has said, **“As I swore in My wrath, if they shall enter into My rest...”** [Psa 95:11](#) And yet His works have come into being from the foundation of the world.

**Heb 4:4** For somewhere He has said thus about the seventh day, **“And Elohim rested on the seventh day from all His works,”** [Gen 2:2](#).

**Heb 4:5** and in this again, **“If they shall enter into My rest...”** [Psa 95:11](#).

**Heb 4:6** Since then it remains for some to enter into it, and those who formerly received the Good News did not enter in because of disobedience,

**Heb 4:7** He again defines a certain day, **“Today,”** saying through Dawid so much later, as it has been said, **“Today, if you hear His voice, do not harden your hearts.”** [Psa 95:7-8](#).

**Heb 4:8** For if Yehoshua had given them rest, He would not have spoken of another day after that.

**Heb 4:9** So there remains a [Sabbath-keeping<sup>a</sup>](#) for the people of Elohim. [Footnote:](#)

<sup>a</sup>The Greek word is *sabattismos*, which means Sabbath-keeping.

**Heb 4:10** For the one, having entered into His rest, has himself also rested from his works, as Elohim *rested* from His own.

**Heb 4:11** Let us therefore do our utmost to enter into that rest, lest anyone fall after the same example of disobedience.

His bride holds close to her heart her marriage Covenant. She comes boldly before His throne. He shows her compassion and He is her ever present help in times of trouble.

**Heb 4:12** For the Word of Elohim is living, and working, and sharper than any two-edged sword, cutting through even to the dividing of being and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

**Heb 4:13** And there is no creature hidden from His sight, but all are naked and laid bare before the eyes of Him with whom is our account.

### **Yahusha the Great High Priest**

**Heb 4:14** Therefore, since we have a great High Priest who has passed through the heavens, **יְהוֹשֻׁעַ** the Son of Elohim, let us hold fast our confession.

**Heb 4:15** For we do not have a High Priest unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who was tried in all respects as we are, apart from sin.

**Heb 4:16** Therefore, let us come boldly to the throne of favor, in order to receive compassion, and find favor for timely help.

Recommended Study Series on the book of Hebrews at Torah to the Tribes:

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## **Joel Introduction**

**F. B. Meyer Introduction:** Of the prophet Joel almost nothing is known. No details of his personal life have come down to us. Even the time when he lived is not known with certainty, though it seems probable that he was one of the first of the prophets. From the frequent references to Judah and Jerusalem it would appear that he was a prophet of the Southern Kingdom.

The general subject of his prophecy is divine judgment, or the Day of Jehovah. There is first a judgment upon the Chosen People, inflicted through locusts. This is removed through fasting and intercession. A terrible day of final judgment embracing all nations is then described. The faithful will be rewarded while evil-doers will be punished. The fulfillment of one of Joel's predictions by the scenes of the day of Pentecost, Act 2:17-21, has given his book a prominent place in Christian thought.

The Book of Joel is a prophetic word for those living in the end of days. This my friend may very well be for us in our day. If you do not know Yahusha as your Savior, do not delay another moment. Today is the day, for if you are reading these devotionals, you ARE hearing His voice through His Word. Go to Him just as you are with a repentant and sincere heart. From there, walk with Him daily in His Word and get connected to a fellowship like [www.TorahtotheTribes.com](http://www.TorahtotheTribes.com). You can be part of weekly teachings; Shabbat gatherings; and additional studies. Each day you will grow more and more as YHWH sets you apart to Himself; for in Him, we become His kingdom of priests of the Melchizedek Order of every tongue, tribe, people, and nation.

## Joel 1

**Joe 1:1** The word of יהוה that came to Yo'ël son of Pethu'ël.

### An Invasion of Locusts

**Joe 1:2** Hear this, you elders, and give ear, all you inhabitants of the land! Has this ever been in your days, or even in the days of your fathers?

**Joe 1:3** Relate it to your children, and your children to their children, and their children to the generation after them.

Mat 24:21 “For then there shall be great distress,<sup>c</sup> such as has not been since the beginning of the world until this time, no, nor ever shall be. Footnote: <sup>c</sup>Or *great pressure*, or *great affliction*.

- ✚ Joe 1:4 What the gnawing locust left the swarming locust has eaten,
- ✚ and what the swarming locust left the crawling locust has eaten,
- ✚ and what the crawling locust left the consuming locust has eaten.

Rev 9:3 And out of the smoke locusts came upon the earth, and authority was given to them as the scorpions of the earth possess authority.

Rev 9:4 And it was said to them that they shall not harm the grass of the earth, or any green *matter*, or any tree, but only those men who do not have the seal of Elohim upon their foreheads.

Rev 9:5 And it was given to them that they should not kill them, but to torture them for five months. And their torture was like the torture of a scorpion when it stings a man.

Rev 9:6 And in those days men shall seek death and shall not find it. And they shall long to die, but death shall flee from them.

Rev 9:7 And the locusts looked like horses prepared for battle, and on their heads were crowns like gold, and their faces were like the faces of men.

A call to awaken!

**Joe 1:5** Wake up, you drunkards, and weep. And wail, all you drinkers of wine, on

account of the new wine, for it has been cut off from your mouth.

Luk 21:34 "And take heed to yourselves, lest your hearts be weighed down by gluttony, and drunkenness, and worries of this life, and that day come on you suddenly.

Luk 21:35 "For it shall come as a snare on all those dwelling on the face of all the earth.

Luk 21:36 "Watch then at all times, and pray that you be counted worthy to escape all this about to take place, and to stand before the Son of Adam."

Joe 1:6 **For a nation has come up against My land,**

✚ strong,

✚ and innumerable.

✚ Its teeth are the **teeth of a lion, and it has the fangs of a lioness.**

Rev 9:7 And the locusts looked like horses prepared for battle, and on their heads were crowns like gold, and their faces were like the faces of men.

Rev 9:8 And they had hair like women's hair, and their teeth were like lions' teeth.

Rev 9:9 And they had breastplates like breastplates of iron, and the sound of their wings was like the sound of chariots of many horses running into battle.

Rev 9:10 And they have tails like scorpions, and stings. And in their tails is their authority to harm men five months.

Rev 9:11 And they have over them a sovereign, the messenger of the pit of the deep, whose name in Hebrew is Abaddon, but in Greek he has the name Apolluon.

Devastation.

✚ **Joe 1:7** It has laid waste My vine and splintered My fig tree.

✚ It has made it entirely bare and cast it away, its branches became white.

✚ **Joe 1:8** Wail like a maiden girded with sackcloth for the husband of her youth.

Jas 4:8 Draw near to Elohim and He shall draw near to you. Cleanse hands, sinners. And cleanse the hearts, you double-minded!

Jas 4:9 Lament and mourn and weep! Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to dejection.

✚ **Joe 1:9** The grain offering and the drink offering have been cut off from the House of יהוה. The priests, servants of יהוה, have mourned.

✚ **Joe 1:10** The field is ravaged, the ground has mourned, for the grain is ruined, the new wine has dried up, the oil fails.

Hos 9:2 Threshing floor and winepress shall not feed them, and new wine shall fail in her.

✚ **Joe 1:11** The farmers are ashamed,

✚ the vinedressers wail over the wheat and over the barley, for the harvest of the

field is destroyed.

- ✚ **Joe 1:12** The vine has dried up, and the fig tree droops, pomegranate, also palm, and apple tree, all the trees of the field are dried up, because joy has dried up among the sons of men.

Jer 14:3 "And their nobles have sent their little ones for water, they went to the cisterns and found no water, they returned with their vessels empty. They were put to shame, and blushed and covered their heads.

Jer 14:4 "Because the ground became cracked, for there has been no rain in the land. The ploughmen were put to shame, they covered their heads.

### A Call to Repentance

- ❖ **Joe 1:13** Gird yourselves and lament, you priests.
- ❖ Wail, you attendants of the slaughter-place. Come, lie all night in sackcloth, you attendants of my Elohim. For the grain offering and the drink offering are withheld from the house of your Elohim.
- ❖ **Joe 1:14** Set apart a fast.
- ❖ Call an assembly, gather the elders, all the inhabitants of the land, into the House of **יהוה** your Elohim, and cry out to **יהוה**.

**Joe 1:15** Alas for the day! **For the day of יהוה is near, and it comes as destruction from the Almighty.**

Zep 1:14 Near is the great day of **יהוה**, near and hurrying greatly, the noise of the day of **יהוה**. Let the mighty man then bitterly cry out!

Zep 1:15 That day is a day of wrath, a day of distress and trouble, a day of waste and ruin, a day of darkness and gloominess, a day of clouds and thick darkness,

Zep 1:16 a day of a shophar and sounding – against the walled cities and against the corner towers.

Zep 1:17 "And I shall bring distress on men, and they shall walk like blind men – because they have sinned against **יהוה**, and their blood shall be poured out like dust and their flesh like dung."

Zep 1:18 Neither their silver nor their gold shall be able to deliver them in the day of the wrath of **יהוה**. And by the fire of His jealousy all the earth shall be consumed, for He makes a sudden end of all those who dwell in the earth.

- ❖ **Joe 1:16** Is not the food cut off before our eyes, joy and gladness from the House of our Elohim?
- ❖ **Joe 1:17** The seed has rotted under their clods, storehouses are laid waste, granaries are broken down, for the grain has withered.
- ❖ **Joe 1:18** How the beasts moan! The herds of cattle are restless, because they have no pasture. The flocks of sheep also perish.

Destruction.

**Joe 1:19** I cry to You **יהוה**, for fire has consumed the pastures of the wilderness, and a

flame has set on fire all the trees of the field.

**Joe 1:20** Even the beasts of the field cry out to You, for the water streams are dried up, and fire has consumed the pastures of the wilderness.

Hab 3:17 Though the fig tree does not blossom, And there is no fruit on the vine, The yield of the olive has failed, And the fields brought forth no food, The flock has been cut off from the fold, And there is no herd in the stalls,

Hab 3:18 Yet I exult in יהוה, I rejoice in the Elohim of my deliverance.

Hab 3:19 יהוה the Master is my strength. And He makes my feet like those of deer, And makes me walk on my high places. To the chief singer with my stringed instruments.

### **Psalm 140;141**

These psalms in conjunction with what we have already read about in our devotionals, affirm that YHWH wants us to be very mindful of how the enemy deceives and deploys traps. It would behoove us all to read aloud these psalms and speak them over our very lives. For we indeed live in the days of great deception; lies; propaganda; and satanic snares and schemes that encompass us. We are a royal priesthood, a holy nation, that have been scattered among pagan cultures all around the world.

YHWH has allowed the tares and the wheat to grow side by side. As we have discussed previously, you cannot tell the difference between tares and wheat until the harvest; because at harvest, the heads of the wheat bow down and the heads of the tares do not. In this way, YHWH has 'hidden' His people, and this has caused great grief to the enemy. We ourselves, have had to become very discerning of others by inspecting the fruit each bear.

In order to identify YHWH's people, the enemy has deployed tactics through technology; through spying; through DNA samples; through secret societies; through blacklisting, through laws, etc. The enemy's final tactic will be to deploy the 'mark of the beast' as the ultimate 'identifier.'

In the meantime, we must be wise as serpents and harmless as doves, because though we have been hidden among our enemies, harvest time draws near. In this segment of time, we should proclaim the words of the psalmist. Soon we will be easily identified **by not receiving** the 'mark' and we, the wheat being ready for harvest, will bow our heads to our King and High Priest, Yahusha HaMashiach, and say, 'Thy will be done' as we face the end of days.

### **Deliver Me, O YHWH, from Evil Men**

**Psa 140:1** Rescue me, O יהוה, from men of evil; Preserve me from men of violence,

Psa 140:2 Who have devised evils in their hearts; They stir up conflicts all day long.

Psa 140:3 They sharpen their tongues like a snake; The poison of cobras is under their lips.  
Selah.

Jas 3:5 So too the tongue is a little member, yet boasts greatly. See how a little fire kindles a great forest!

Jas 3:6 And the tongue is a fire, the world of unrighteousness. Among our members the tongue is set, the one defiling the entire body, and setting on fire the wheel of life, and it is set on fire by GëHinnom.

Jas 3:7 For every kind of beast and bird, of reptile and creature of the sea, is tamed and has been tamed by mankind.

Jas 3:8 But no man is able to tame the tongue. It is unruly, evil, filled with deadly poison.

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Pro 18:21 Death and life are in the power of the tongue, And those loving it eat its fruit.

Psa 140:4 Guard me, O יהוה, from the hands of the wrong; Guard me from a man of violence, **Who has schemed to trip up my steps.**

Psa 140:5 The proud have hidden a trap for me, and cords; They have spread a net by the wayside; They have set snares for me. Selah.

Psa 140:6 I said to יהוה, "You are my Ėl; Hear the voice of my prayers, O יהוה.

Psa 140:7 "O Master יהוה, my saving strength, You have screened my head in the day of battle.

Psa 140:8 **"Do not grant the desires of the wrong, O יהוה; Do not promote his scheme.**  
Selah.

Psa 140:9 "Those who surround me lift up their head; The trouble of their lips covers them;

Psa 140:10 **"Let burning coals fall on them; Let them be made to fall into the fire, Into deep pits,** let them not rise again.

Psa 140:11 **"Let not a slanderer be established in the earth; Let evil hunt the man of violence speedily."**

Psa 140:12 I have known that יהוה maintains The cause of the afflicted, The right-ruling of the poor.

Psa 140:13 Only, let the righteous give thanks to Your Name, Let the straight ones dwell in Your presence.

### Give Ear to My Voice

**Psa 141:1** יהוה, I have cried out to You; Hasten to me! Give ear to my voice when I cry out to You.

Psa 141:2 **Let my prayer be prepared before You as incense, The lifting up of my hands as the evening offering.**

Psa 141:3 O יהוה, **set a guard for my mouth; Watch over the door of my lips.**

Psa 141:4 Let not my heart be inclined to evil, To practice deeds of wrongness With men working wickedness, And let me not eat of their delicacies.

Psa 141:5 **Let the righteous one smite me Or reprove me in loving-commitment** – It is oil on my head. Let my head not refuse it. My prayer is still against their evil deeds.

Psa 141:6 Their judges have been thrown down By the sides of the rock, But they have heard my words, For they have been pleasant.

Psa 141:7 Our bones are scattered at the mouth of She'ol, As when one ploughs and breaks up the earth.

Psa 141:8 **But my eyes are upon You, O Master** יהוה. In **You I take refuge; Do not pour out my life.**

Psa 141:9 **Guard me from the clutches Of the trap they have laid for me, And from the snares Of the workers of wickedness.**

Psa 141:10 **Let the wrong fall into their own nets, While I pass by.**

*My Eyes are upon You, YHWH*

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