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The Joel Fast Repentance... Deliverance... Revival...

#### **Reason for the Fast**

Revival, a return of God's mercy, favor, and blessings!!

#### Purpose

To honor God's request and to return to him wholeheartedly; acknowledging his sovereignty, His power, but also His faithful love.

## Opening Statement $\rightarrow$ Joel Chapter 1:12 ... Surely the people's joy is withered away.

Truly a fast of National and International proportions! God's sovereignty and power is displayed before the Nations. A mighty army of locusts is devastating the land - and like now, there is a famine, fuel scarcity like the result of modern day sanctions  $\rightarrow$  have resulted in unbelievable hardship for the people!

God's instruction to the church: 1 Put off your pleasures

#### God Announces a Fast - A Solemn Assembly

**Joel Chapter 1:14** 14Declare a holy fast; call a sacred assembly. Summon the elders and all who live in the land to the house of the Lord your God, and cry out to the Lord.

#### God's instruction to the Leadership/ Ministers/ Shepherds/

**Joel Chapter 1:13-14** 13Put on sackcloth, you priests, and mourn; wail, you who minister before the altar. Come, spend the night in sack cloth, you who minister before my God; for the grain offerings and drink offerings are withheld from the house of your God. 14Declare a holy fast; call a sacred assembly. Summon the elders and all who live in the land to the house of the Lord your God, and cry out to the Lord.

#### God's message to the People:

Joel Chapter 1:2-3 ...listen, all who live in the land.

Has anything like this ever happened in your days or in the days of your ancestors? 3Tell it to your children, and let your children tell it to their children, and their children to the next generation.

#### The Judgement on the Land

**Joel Chapter 1:4-7** 4What the locust swarm has left the great locusts have eaten; what the great locusts have left the young locusts have eaten; what the young locusts have left other locusts have eaten. 5Wake up, you drunkards, and weep! Wail, all you drinkers of wine; wail because of the new wine, for it has been snatched from your lips.



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6A nation has invaded my land, a mighty army without number; it has the teeth of a lion, the fangs of a lioness. 7It has laid waste my vines and ruined my fig trees. It has stripped off their bark and thrown it away, leaving their branches white.

#### The Famine

**Joel Chapter 1:7-12** 7It has laid waste my vines and ruined my fig trees. It has stripped off their bark and thrown it away, leaving their branches white. 8Mourn like a virgin in sackcloth grieving for the betrothed of her youth. 9Grain offerings and drink offerings are cut off from the house of the Lord. The priests are in mourning, those who minister before the Lord. 10The fields are ruined, the ground is dried up; the grain is destroyed, the new wine is dried up, the olive oil fails. 11Despair, you farmers, wail, you vine growers; grieve for the wheat and the barley, because the harvest of the field is destroyed. 12The vine is dried up and the fig tree is withered; the pomegranate, the palm and the apple tree— all the trees of the field—are dried up. Surely the people's joy is withered away.

#### Duration

This Fast will continue for 9 days:

Fast begins after SUNDOWN on WEDNESDAY APRIL 13, 2022 Fast concludes on SUNDOWN SATURDAY APRIL 23, 2022 This Covers the Passover, Feast of Unleavened Bread, and Feast of FirstFruits (For more information on the Feast Days of the Lord is available at: <u>https://bethanycovenantalive.net/feast-days-of-the-lord/</u>)

#### The Requirements of the Fast

**Joel Chapter 2:1** 1Blow the trumpet in Zion; sound the alarm on my holy hill. Let all who live in the land tremble, for the day of the Lord is coming. It is close at hand— **Joel Chapter 2:15-17** 15Blow the trumpet in Zion, declare a holy fast, call a sacred assembly. 16Gather the people, consecrate the assembly; bring together the elders, gather the children, those nursing at the breast. Let the bridegroom leave his room and the bride her chamber. 17Let the priests, who minister before the Lord, weep between the portico and the altar. Let them say, "Spare your people, Lord. Do not make your inheritance an object of scorn, a byword among the nations. Why should they say among the peoples, 'Where is their God?' "

#### The Method of this Fast

Each and every day  $\rightarrow$  Release the sound of the shofar

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Each and every day  $\rightarrow$  Consecrate the Lord's supper for daily use; unleavened bread; grape juice; Each and every day  $\rightarrow$  meditate on scripture provided in This Fast

#### **Components of this Fast**

#### Praise and Worship the LORD portions:

Psalm 66 Exodus Chapter 12:27 1 King Chapter 8:50-54 Acts Chapter 7:60 Revelations Chapter 7:11 Psalm 99 Exodus Chapter 34:8 2 Chronicles Chapter 20:18 Romans Chapter 14:11 Psalm 51:17 Numbers Chapter 20:6 Nehemiah Chapter 8:6 Philippians Chapter 2:10

#### Repentance

Hebrews Chapter 12:25-28 Psalm 24:3-4 Isaiah Chapter 35:8 Acts Chapter 5:26 Psalm 32:5 Acts Chapter 3:19 Psalm 66:18-20

#### Pray for your Country & Countries:

Psalm 106:23 Daniel Chapter 2:19-22 1 Samuel Chapter 12:23 Psalm 20:7 Jeremiah Chapter 12:11 Psalm 119:29-30

#### The Ask

A return to the blessing of new wine A return to Favor & Prosperity Protection & Safety Forgiveness of Sins & a plea for vindication A plea for Total Revival An Outpouring of His Spirit upon all Humanity The Salvation of the Lord

### **Daily Prayer Focus**

- Day 1 Leaders
- Day 2 Country
- Day 3 Children
- Day 4 Families
- Day 5 Law Enforcement Personnel
- Day 6 Seniors & the Poor
- Day 7 The Return to Prosperity in the Land

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Day 8 - The Cleansing of the Waters Day 9 - Thanksgiving

#### The Covenant Portion - Do This Daily If we will:

If we will Repent in a Solemn Fast If we will Declare Your Awesome Works to the Next Generation If we will Return to You with All Our Hearts If we will Gather Together All Our Priests & Shepherds in a Holy Assembly Sounding the Horn of the Lord If we will Dress in Sack Cloth & Spend the Night in Mourning If your Elders & All Inhabitants of the Land would present themselves in the House of the Lord and Cry Out to the Lord

### Then O Sovereign Yahweh will you then:

Will You Send us New Wine & Olive Oil

Will You Remove Our Disgrace

Will You Remove Our Enemies from Our Land

Will You then Repay Us for the Years that the Locusts have Devoured

Will Your Presence Return to Dwell With Us

Will You Pour Out Your Spirit Upon All Our Sons & Daughters & Old Men & Young Men that they may have Dreams See Visions & Prophesy

### The Blessing of Yahweh Returns

⇒ Then We Will Know Your Name as Yahweh Our God Then Everyone Who Calls Upon Your Name Yahweh Shall Be Saved Even those in Jerusalem & Upon Mt Zion

Joel Chapter 3:17-21 17"Then you will know that I, the Lord your God, dwell in Zion, my holy hill. Jerusalem will be holy; never again will foreigners invade her. 18"In that day the mountains will drip new wine, and the hills will flow with milk; all the ravines of Judah will run with water. A fountain will flow out of the Lord's house and will water the valley of acacias. 19But Egypt will be desolate, Edom a desert waste, because of violence done to the people of Judah, in whose land they shed innocent blood. 20Judah will be inhabited forever and Jerusalem through all generations. 21Shall I leave their innocent blood unavenged? No, I will not." The Lord dwells in Zion!

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Daily Journaling (Ask & Covenanting)



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# **Eating Plan**

#### What NOT to Eat

- Stay away from excessive CARBS (breads, cakes, etc...)
- Avoid Sugars, dairy products, eggs, cheeses, and fried foods
- No preservatives, cold cuts or canned meats
- No sugar substitutes like diet drinks, colas, aspartame
- No alcohol except the Lord's Supper
- No breads, cakes, ...

# What to EAT

- Eat once daily at dinner after 6 pm EAT SLOWLY and PRAYERFULLY
- Stop eating after dinner (by 9 pm)
- Make vegetable soup (for a snack during the day if needed and/or for dinner)
- Eat any of the following:
  - Provisions
  - Beans
- Fruits - Nuts
- Potatoes (sweet potatoes)Salad (with dressing)

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- Soup (non creamy) Unleavened Bread (matzo, Ryvita, ...)
- Although not recommended, if you must eat a meat, stay with fish or chicken

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