

The Ultimate Decision Day

Joel 3.1-21

1. Ultimate Destruction, vs1-16

- **the summons vs1-2**
by God, the world's judge
- **the charge sheet vs2-6**
how you have treated my people
scattering them v2
seizing my gifts to them v2
exploiting their most vulnerable v3
stealing their gifts to me v5
selling them as slaves v6
Acts 9.5; Zech 2.8
- **the sentencing vs6-14**
the punishment fits the crime v7
Mat 7.1-2
God's challenge to the nations
fight me if you dare! v9-11
the Lord's is invincible v11; 2.11

multitudes face God's wrath v12-14
Rev 14.14-19

- **cataclysmic cosmic upheaval v15f**
2.31; 2 Peter 3.10-12

2. Ultimate Deliverance, vs16-21

- **faith will give way to sight v17**
- **the Lord will be our refuge v16**
2.32; Rom 8.1
- **heaven is impenetrable to evil v17**
Rev 21.27
- **abundant life for evermore v18**
a reversal of every disaster
1.12,18,20; Heb 8.5
- **supernatural sustenance v18**
life-giving streams of water
Ps 46.4; Ezek 47.1-12
God's Holy Spirit
John 4.10-14; 7.37-39;
1 Cor 12.13; Rev 21.1-2
- **everlasting life v19-20**
thanks to God's mercy v21; Mic 7.18f