

Focus passage: Joel 2:28-32

28 “And it shall come to pass afterward,
that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh;
your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
your old men shall dream dreams,
and your young men shall see visions.

29 Even on the male and female servants
in those days I will pour out my Spirit.

30 “And I will show wonders in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and columns of smoke. **31** The sun shall be turned to darkness, and the moon to blood, before the great and awesome day of the Lord comes. **32** And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved. For in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be those who escape, as the Lord has said, and among the survivors shall be those whom the Lord calls.

What stands out to you from this passage?

*Verse 28 writes, “it shall come to pass afterward.” What is the time period after? **Read preceding verses for more context.***

What will happen in this period of time afterward? What does it mean for the Spirit to be poured out?

*In the book of Acts, Peter quotes Joel at Pentecost. **Read Acts 2:15-24** to see how Peter understood this passage.*

When is this period of time, the “last days” as Peter says in Acts 2:17? How long of a time period is it? When will it end?

*Who is able to join in the ministries at this time? How is this different from prior time periods before Pentecost? **Read Numbers 11:26-29** to see the way in which the Spirit worked previously.*

Do we believe that God can work in and through us all? What ways do you think God is gifting you to serve his church in these “last days”?

How can you apply this Scripture to your life?

