

Hymn #222:
Easter Song

THE PROPHET JOEL
AND
“THE DAY OF THE LORD”



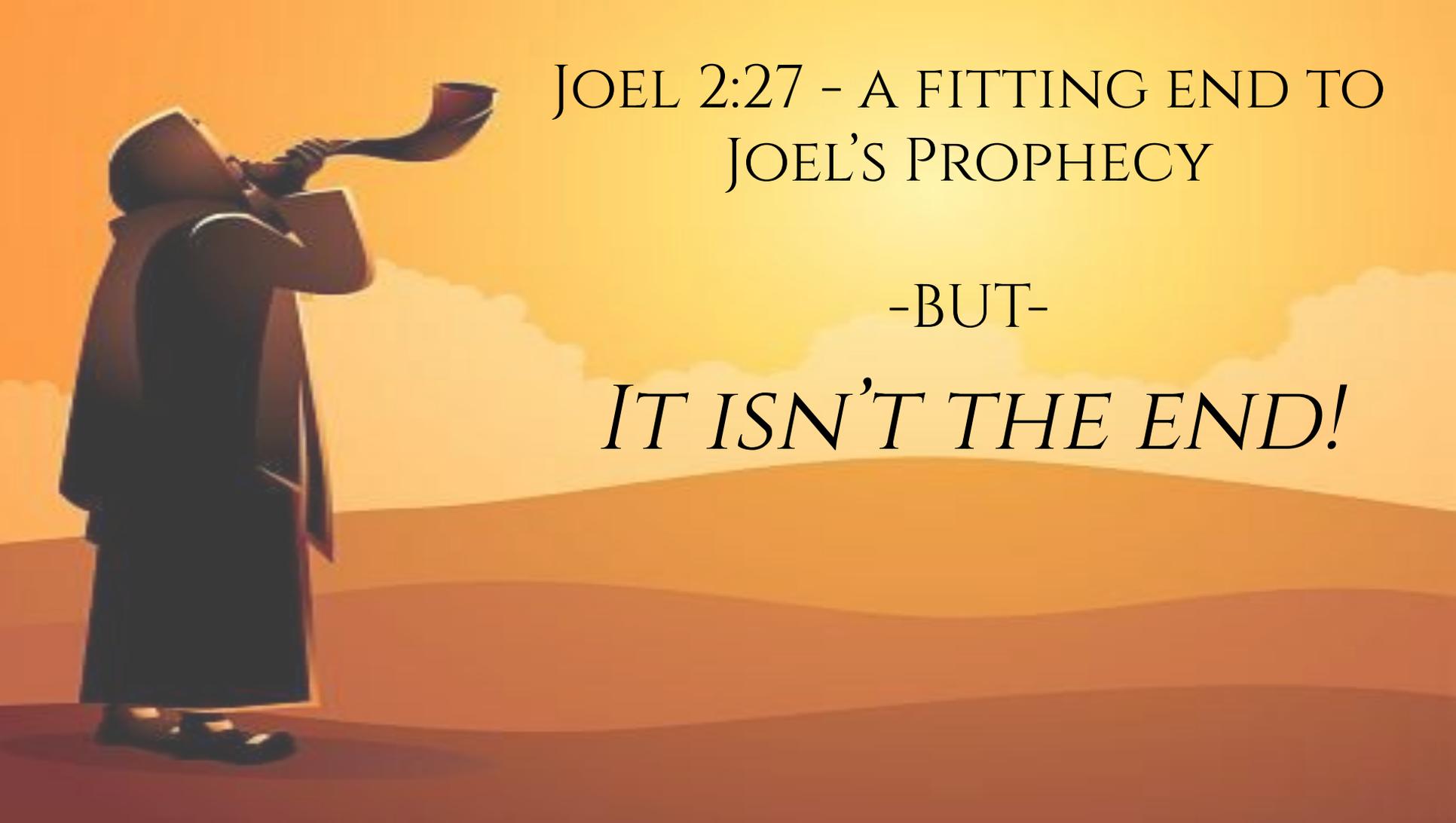


THE PROPHET JOEL
AND
“THE DAY OF THE LORD”
A STORY WORTH TELLING,
AND RE-TELLING...
AND TELLING AGAIN...
(JOEL 1:1-3)



JOEL 2:27 - A FITTING END TO JOEL'S PROPHECY

- “JUDGMENT IS COMING”
- “REPENT AND ASK SEEK MERCY”
- “YOU WILL BE EXILED”
- “BUT SOON I WILL JUDGE THAT NATION, AND RESCUE YOU”
- “I WILL MAKE UP FOR THE YEARS THE LOCUSTS HAVE EATEN”

A silhouette of a man in a long, dark robe and a hood, standing on the left side of the frame. He is blowing a long, curved trumpet. The background is a warm, golden sunset or sunrise over rolling hills, with a bright sun partially obscured by clouds. The overall color palette is dominated by shades of orange, yellow, and brown.

JOEL 2:27 - A FITTING END TO
JOEL'S PROPHECY

-BUT-

IT ISN'T THE END!

A silhouette of a person wearing a hooded robe, standing in a desert landscape under a bright, hazy sky. The person is blowing a long, curved trumpet. The background consists of rolling hills and a warm, orange glow from the sun.

JOEL 2:28-32

AN UNEXPECTED RESTORATION

(IN THE HEBREW BIBLE, IT'S A
WHOLE SEPARATE CHAPTER)

JOEL 2:28-32

JOEL REFLECTS THE O.T.
UNDERSTANDING THAT
THE PRESENCE OF THE HOLY
SPIRIT SIGNIFIES
A PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP
WITH A
POWERFUL GOD





EXAMPLES:

SAMSON

GIDEON

ELIJAH

DANIEL

GOD'S SPIRIT GAVE THE POWER
TO ACT OR SPEAK



JOEL 2:28-32

I. THE HOLY SPIRIT PROVIDES
A PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP
WITH A POWERFUL GOD

JOEL 2:28-32

A. AN OUTPOURING OF THE SPIRIT IS COMING (2:28)

JOEL FORESAW THIS AS A
FUTURE EVENT
("AFTER THIS... IN THOSE
DAYS")



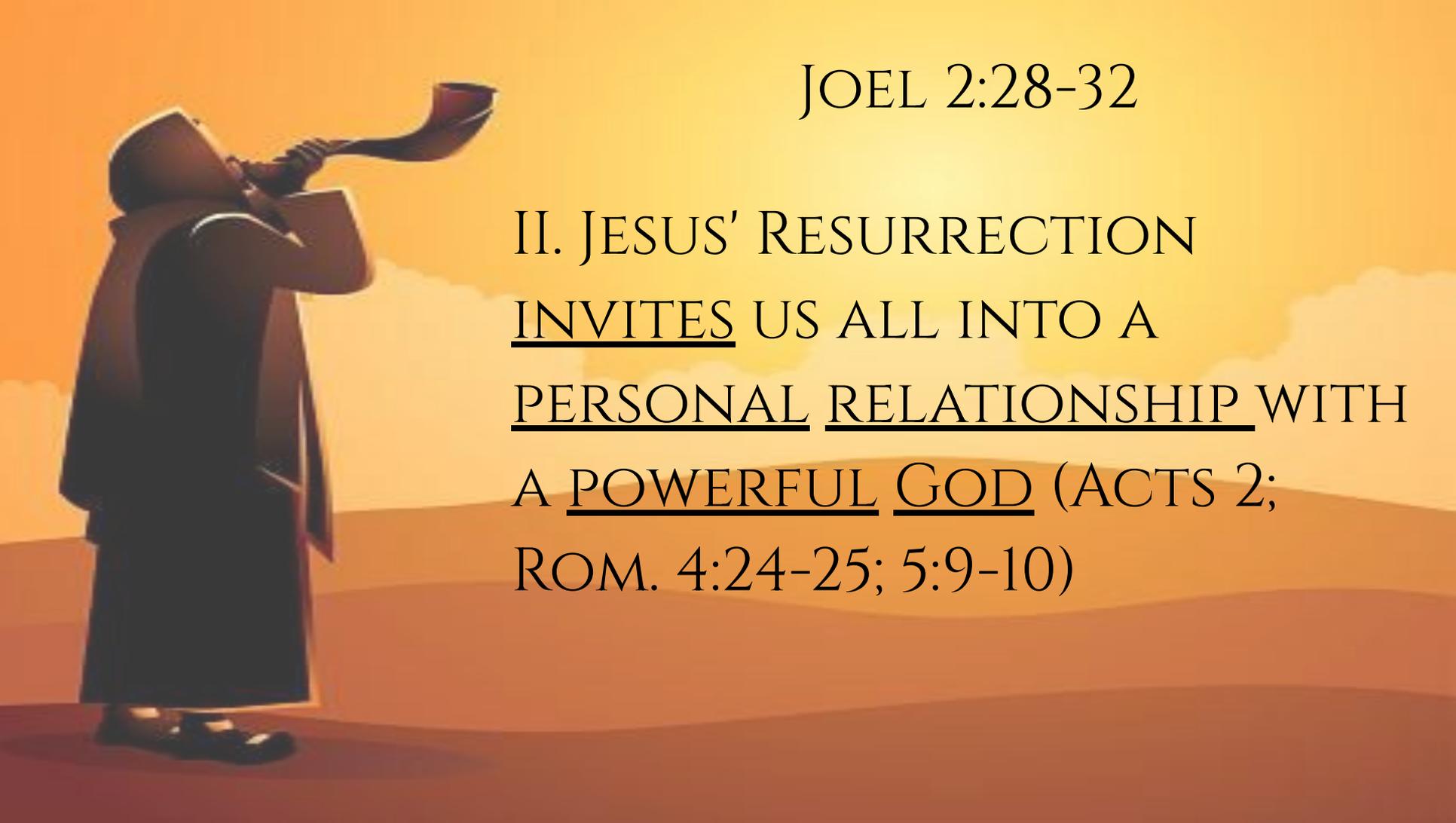
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B. THIS PERSONAL
RELATIONSHIP WITH A
POWERFUL GOD WILL BE
AVAILABLE TO ALL PEOPLE
(2:28-32)

“...WHOEVER CALLS UPON THE NAME
OF THE LORD”

[NOT JUST PRIESTS, KINGS, PROPHETS, JUDGES]



A silhouette of a person wearing a hooded robe, standing on the left side of the frame and blowing a trumpet. The background is a warm, golden sunset or sunrise over a desert landscape with rolling hills. The overall tone is spiritual and evocative.

JOEL 2:28-32

II. JESUS' RESURRECTION
INVITES US ALL INTO A
PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP WITH
A POWERFUL GOD (ACTS 2;
ROM. 4:24-25; 5:9-10)

JOEL 2:28-32



A. JESUS TOLD HIS FOLLOWERS
THEY WOULD HAVE A
PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP WITH
A POWERFUL GOD

(JOHN 14:16-18; 16:7;

LUKE 24:44-49; ACTS 1:4-5, 8)

JOEL 2:28-32

B. THAT POWER CAME WITH
THE GIFT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT
(ACTS 2:1-24, 32-33)



JOEL 2:28-32

C. WE ARE ALL INVITED TO
RECEIVE THIS GIFT
(ACTS 1:12-14; 2:1-4, 21;
ROMANS 10:12-13)



APPLICATION:



A silhouette of a person in a long, dark robe and hood, standing on the left side of the frame. They are blowing a long, curved trumpet. The background is a warm, golden-orange sunset or sunrise over rolling hills. The overall mood is contemplative and spiritual.

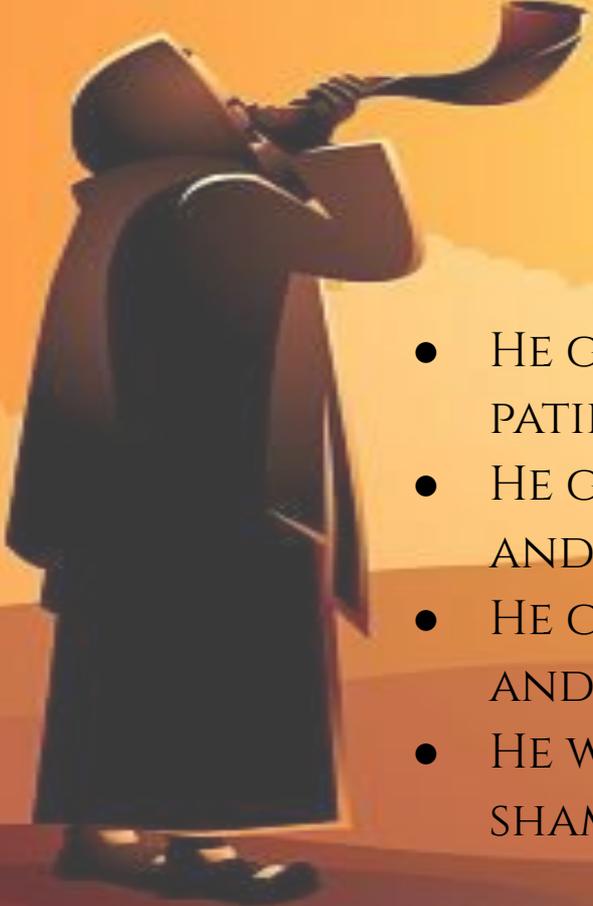
APPLICATION:

Q: HAVE I ACCEPTED THE
INVITATION TO RECEIVE THE
GIFT OF A PERSONAL
RELATIONSHIP WITH A
POWERFUL GOD?

A silhouette of a person wearing a hooded robe, standing in a desert landscape with rolling hills under a bright, orange sunset sky. The person is blowing a long, curved trumpet. The scene is rendered in a minimalist, stylized manner with soft gradients of orange and yellow.

APPLICATION:

Q: IF SO, ARE YOU RELYING ON THE
POWER OF GOD IN YOUR DAILY LIFE?



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POWER OF GOD IN YOUR DAILY LIFE?

- HE GIVES THE POWER TO LOVE, FORGIVE, BE KIND, BE PATIENT, SHOW GRACE AND MERCY.
- HE GIVES YOU A POWERFUL IDENTITY, CLEAR PURPOSE, AND SUSTAINING SELF-WORTH.
- HE CAN GIVE YOU FINANCIAL PEACE, CONTENTMENT, AND SECURITY.
- HE WILL REPLACE YOUR FEAR WITH CONFIDENCE, YOUR SHAME WITH BOLDNESS, YOUR SORROW WITH HOPE.



APPLICATION:

HE WANTS TO DIRECT YOUR
LIFE, LEAD YOU, GUIDE YOU,
AND MAKE YOUR PATH
STRAIGHT.

Q: WHAT IS KEEPING YOU FROM
ACCEPTING HIS GIFT TODAY?



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DON'T BE GEORGE WILSON!