



REND
YOUR
HEARTS

Joel

- **1:2, 3, 5-7**
 - **What is the fierce enemy?**
 - **1:4**
 - **Locusts**
- **Absolute destruction.**
 - **1:8-10, 11, 12, 18-20**
- **God is behind the devastating army.**
 - **1:15**
- **It will only get worse! 2:1, 2**
- **Imagine you are a watchman. 2:3-10**
- **2:11**
- **Hope! 2:12, 13, 15-17**
- **2:18 is better read as though already happened.**
- **Blessings would follow.**
 - **2:19, 20-22, 25-27**

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- **Joel 2:12, 13**
- **“Turn to Me with all your heart”**
- **“With fasting, with weeping, with mourning”**
 - **James 4:9**
- **But don't dare stop there!**

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- **Rending or tearing of the garments expressed extreme sorrow.**
 - A way of showing externally what was happening on the inside.
 - Job 1:20; 2:12, 13
- **What is Joel saying?**
 - Repentance must be genuine and sincere!
 - Do not simply put on a show.
- **The externals are worthless if our heart is not gutted.**
- **Psalm 51:17**

Conclusion

- **Do you need to rend your heart?**
- **Genuine repentance will take many forms, some visible and some more subtle, but it must always include a tearing of the heart.**
- **Joel 2:13**