

2 Peter Series

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**Day of the Lord:
Joel, Amos
2 Peter 3:10**



Guard Against False Teachers

**3A God refutes specific false teaching in light of the future return of Christ,
2 Peter 3:1–14**

**1B Peter's second reminder,
2 Peter 3:1–2**

**2B God refutes the false teachers denial of the literal Second Advent,
2 Peter 3:3–14**

**Conclusion: Warning and Challenge
Do not fall into error, but grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.
2 Peter 3:15–18**

2 Pet. 3:10, “But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night, in which the heavens will pass away with a great noise, and the elements will melt with fervent heat; both the earth and the works that are in it will be burned up.”

What the Bible Teaches About

The Day of the LORD



What is the Day of the Lord?

- 1. Begins with 2nd Coming, goes through the Millennium (Mill.) to Great White Throne (GWT). (Scofield)**
- 2. Day of the Lord from after the Rapture through the Mill. to GWT. (Ironside, L. S. Chafer, Walvoord, Ryrie, Pentecost, Thieme, Showers, Baughman)**
- 3. The 2nd Coming or the end of the Mill., but excludes most of the Tribulation and the Mill. (Mayhue, Price, Ice)**
- 4. The Tribulation only (Fruchtenbaum) (only the time of Daniel's seventieth week)**
- 5. The Rapture or the 2nd Coming (Barbieri)**

How do we determine the meaning of the Day of the Lord?

“BEFORE”

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1. Elijah would come.

Mal. 4:5, “Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the Lord.

Mal. 4:6, “And he will turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the hearts of the children to their fathers, lest I come and strike the earth with a curse.” (NKJV)

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- 2. The Falling Away (Rapture) comes first.
2 Thess. 2:3**

2 Thess. 2:1, “Now, brethren, concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our gathering together to Him, we ask you,

2 Thess. 2:2, “not to be soon shaken in mind or troubled, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as if from us, as though the day of Christ had come.

2 Thess. 2:3, “Let no one deceive you by any means; for *that Day will not come* unless the falling away comes first, and the man of sin is revealed, the son of perdition,” (NKJV)

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1. The phrase “day of the Lord” occurs in 19 Old Testament verses in reference to a special time of divine judgment.

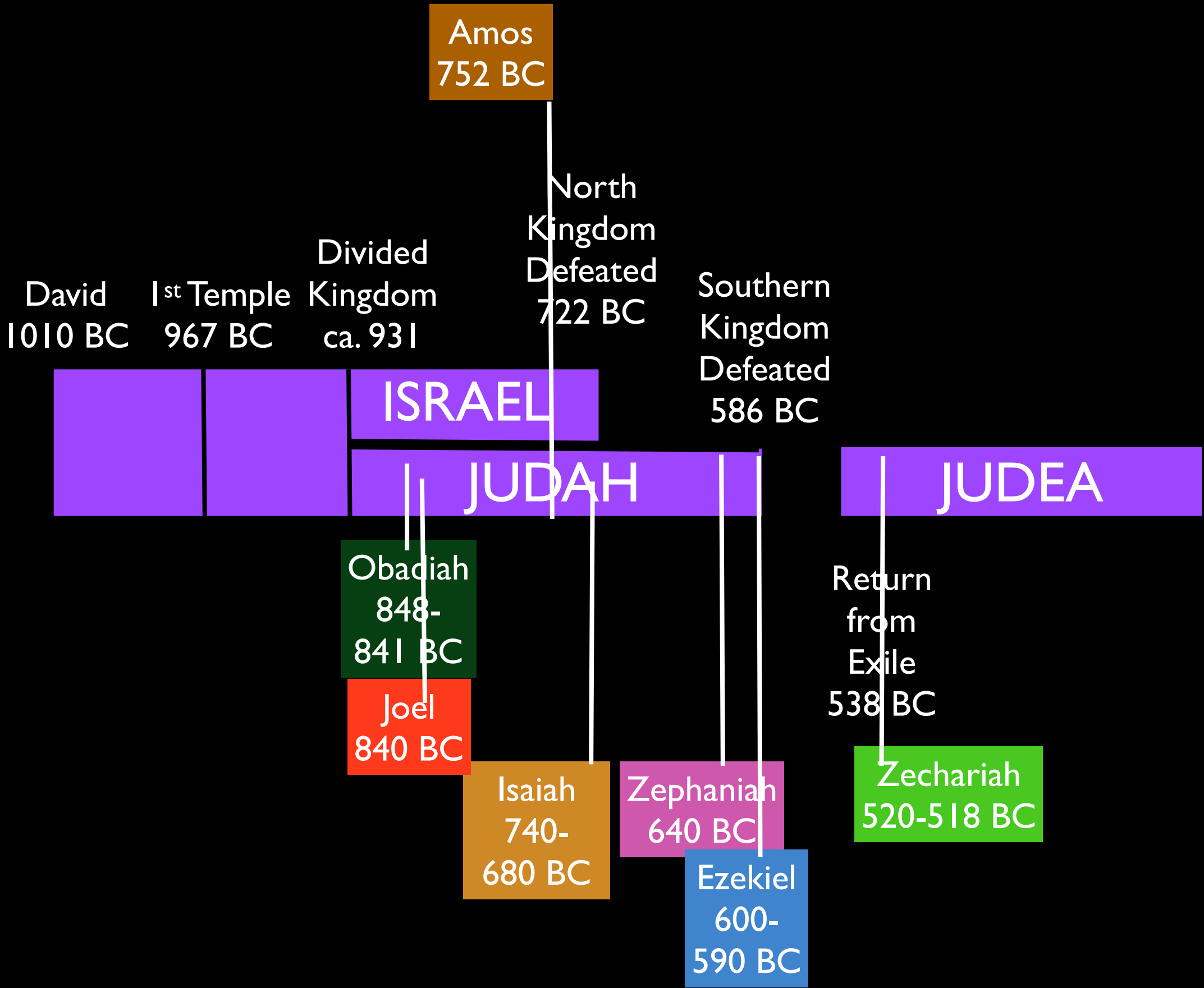
In addition to this phrase, additional phrases which refer to this event are: “that day,” “the day,” “the great day of the Lord” (Zeph. 1:14), “the day of God” (2 Pet. 3:12; Rev. 16:14).

2. The Day of the Lord refers to God's special interventions into the course of world events to judge His enemies, accomplish His purpose for history, and thereby demonstrate who He is—the sovereign God of the universe (Isa. 2:10–22; Ezek. 13:5, 9, 14, 21, 23; 30:3, 8, 19, 25–26).

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This finds its ultimate fulfillment in the return of the King of Kings and Lord of Lords, Rev. 19:16.

3. Examination of some key passages.



OBADIAH

“Servant of *Yah*”

or

“Worshipper of *Yah*”



What we learned:

- a. The judgment in Obadiah 1–14 is on a historic judgment on Edom. This occurred in the past.**

- b. In vs. 15–21 the shift is to a future, yet unfulfilled judgment and destruction on the godless nations.**

- c. The Day of the Lord ends with the establishment of God's kingdom in vs. 21.**

Obad. 15, “For the day of the LORD upon all the nations is near; As you have done, it shall be done to you; Your reprisal shall return upon your own head.”

Obad. 16, “For as you drank on My holy mountain, so shall all the nations drink continually; Yes, they shall drink, and swallow, and they shall be as though they had never been.

Obad. 17, “But on Mount Zion there shall be deliverance, and there shall be holiness; The house of Jacob shall possess their possessions.”

Obad. 18, “ ‘The house of Jacob shall be a fire, and the house of Joseph a flame; But the house of Esau shall be stubble; They shall kindle them and devour them, and no survivor shall remain of the house of Esau,’ for the LORD has spoken.

Obad. 19, “The South shall possess the mountains of Esau, and the Lowland shall possess Philistia. They shall possess the fields of Ephraim and the fields of Samaria. Benjamin shall possess Gilead.”

Obad. 20, “And the captives of this host of the children of Israel shall possess the land of the Canaanites as far as Zarephath. The captives of Jerusalem who are in Sepharad shall possess the cities of the South.

Obad. 21, “Then saviors shall come to Mount Zion to judge the mountains of Esau, and the kingdom shall be the LORD’S.”

Joel

“Yahweh is God”

or

“God is Yahweh”

**Day of the Lord is used five times in Joel
(1:15, 2:1, 2:11, 2:31, and 3:14).**

Joel 1:15, “Alas for the day! For the day of the Lord is near, and it will come as destruction from the Almighty.”

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The message of Joel is that the locusts are real locusts, but picture the future disaster of divine destruction.

The past disaster of the locusts in Joel 1 is used in Joel 2 to describe the future destruction which will be caused by a human army.

Joel 2:18–27 transitions from the historic judgment to the future judgment.

Joel 2:28–32 portrays destruction on an unprecedented cosmic scale.

Joel 2:1, “Blow the trumpet in Zion, and sound an alarm in My holy mountain! Let all the inhabitants of the land tremble; For the day of the Lord is coming, for it is at hand:” (NKJV)

Joel 2:11, “The Lord gives voice before His army, for His camp is very great; For strong is the One who executes His word. For the day of the Lord is great and very terrible; Who can endure it?” (NKJV)

- 1. It is a unique, one-of-a-kind judgment**
- 2. The land is destroyed by fire and is reduced to a wilderness**
- 3. Vs. 10, earthquakes, the heavens tremble, the sun and the moon grow dark, stars loose their brightness**
- 4. Vs. 11, the Lord is before HIS army, HIS camp is very great**
- 5. This is defined then as the Day of the Lord**

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Joel 2:13, “So rend your heart, and not your garments; Return to the Lord your God, for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness; And He relents from doing harm.” (NKJV)

Outline of Joel

- I. Introduction Joel 1:1
- II. A current catastrophe is **a type of the future Day of the Lord** 1:2–20
- III. The **future Day of the Lord**: a human invasion 2:1–27
 - A. The invading army 2:1–11
 - B. A call to repentance 2:12–17
 - C. The possibility of forgiveness and restoration 2:18–27
- IV. Deliverance in the **future Day of the Lord**: 2:28–3:21
 - A. Israel's spiritual renewal and deliverance 2:28–32
The future of a Jewish Remnant
 - B. God's judgment on Israel's enemy nations 3:1–17
The sequence of judgments at Armageddon
 - C. Israel's ultimate restoration 3:18–21
The Millennial Kingdom

Joel 2:30, “And I will show wonders in the heavens and in the earth: Blood and fire and pillars of smoke.

Joel 2:31, “The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the coming of the great and awesome day of the Lord.”

Joel 2:32, “And it shall come to pass that whoever calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved. For in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be deliverance, as the Lord has said, among the remnant whom the Lord calls.” (NKJV)

Joel 3:14, “Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision! For the day of the Lord is near in the valley of decision.

Joel 3:15, “The sun and moon will grow dark, and the stars will diminish their brightness.

**Joel 3:16, “The Lord also will roar from Zion, and utter His voice from Jerusalem; The heavens and earth will shake; But the Lord will be a shelter for His people, and the strength of the children of Israel.”
(NKJV)**

Joel Uses Themes Later Prophets Develop

Joel 1:15	Destruction	Isaiah 13:6
Joel 2:2	Day of Darkness	Zephaniah 1:15
Joel 2:2	Day of Clouds	Zephaniah 1:15; Ezekiel 30:3
Joel 2:2	Thick Darkness	Zephaniah 1:15
Joel 2:11; 2:31	Great	Zephaniah 1:14; Malachi 4:5
Joel 2:31; 3:15	Cosmic Disturbances	Isaiah 13:10
Joel 2:31	Terrible	Malachi 4:5

Amos 5:18, 20; Chapter 9

Amos 5:18, “Woe to you who desire the day of the LORD! For what good is the day of the LORD to you? It will be darkness, and not light.”

Amos 5:20, “Is not the day of the LORD darkness, and not light? Is it not very dark, with no brightness in it?”