



## ***Grapes of Wrath***

Joel 3 NIV

SERMON NOTES

### **I. THE JUDGMENT DAY IS REAL. Joel 3:1-3**

*Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord,  
He is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored;  
He hath loosed the fateful lightning of His terrible swift sword:  
His truth is marching on.*

***Good News!!! The Lord will judge all evil.***

**Psalm 96:13** *Let all creation rejoice before the LORD, for he comes, he comes to judge the earth. He will judge the world in righteousness and the peoples in his faithfulness.*

### **II. “AN EYE FOR AN EYE” VERDICT IS FAIR... FOR GRAPES OF WRATH. Joel 3:4-8**

***Good News!!! Judgment is God’s job, not yours.***

**Romans 12:19** *Do not take revenge, my dear friends, but leave room for God’s wrath, for it is written: “It is mine to avenge; I will repay,” says the Lord.*

### **III. THE LORD WINS. Joel 3:9-13**

***Good News!!! No enemy can stand up against the Lord.***

**Psalm 2:3–6** *The One enthroned in heaven laughs; the Lord scoffs at them. He rebukes them in his anger and terrifies them in his wrath, saying, “I have installed my king on Zion, my holy mountain.”*

### **IV. ANSWER BEFORE IT’S TOO LATE. Joel 3:14-16**

*He has sounded forth the trumpet that shall never call retreat;  
He is sifting out the hearts of men before His judgment seat.  
Oh, be swift, my soul, to answer Him! Be jubilant, my feet!  
Our God is marching on.*

***Good News!!! You still have time to decide.***

**Isaiah 55:6** *Seek the LORD while he may be found;  
call on him while he is near.*

## V. THE LORD WILL BE IN ZION. Joel 3:17-21

***Good News!!! Emanuel, God is with us.***

1. The Lord will be present in the new creation.
2. The effects of the locusts (curse) will be reversed.
3. It will be a permanent reward with no grapes of wrath!

### DO YOU FEEL CRUSHED THIS MORNING?

***\*Find comfort in knowing God will crush all grapes of wrath.***

**Romans 12:19b** *“It is mine to avenge; I will repay,” says the Lord.*

**Psalm 110:5** *The Lord is at your right hand;  
he will crush kings on the day of his wrath..*

***\*Find relief in the One who is close to you in your worst times.***

**Psalm 34:18** *The LORD is close to the brokenhearted  
and saves those who are crushed in spirit.*

***\*Find forgiveness and peace and healing  
in the One who was crushed in your place.***

**Isaiah 53:5** *But he was pierced for our transgressions,  
he was crushed for our iniquities;  
the punishment that brought us peace was on him,  
and by his wounds we are healed.*

***\*Trade in your crushed spirit for a cheerful heart.***

**Proverbs 17:22** *A cheerful heart is good medicine,  
but a crushed spirit dries up the bones.*

**2 Corinthians 4:8** *We are hard pressed on every side,  
but not crushed; perplexed, but not in despair.*