

The Final Solution – Phase 2

Joel Series – Part 6

Scripture text – Joel 3:16-21

Introduction

- In the last chapter of Joel’s prophecy, there’s a dramatic shift. All of a sudden, Joel’s message becomes quite reassuring and _____. This is because Joel is given a _____ of God’s final solution for humanity.
- God’s final solution has 2 phases:
 - Phase 1 -- God _____ the mistreatment of his people.
 - Phase 2 -- God lavishes his people with divine _____ that will never be altered or taken away.
- It is the knowledge of these blessings that enable us to _____ when life becomes hard.

Blessing #1

- **God will _____ & _____ his people while the nations are being judged.**
- The issue since the mid-1800’s has been _____ God will do this.
 - One view is that God will _____ the church.
 - Another view is that God doesn’t tell explain how he will do it, only that we need to _____ him.

Blessing #2

- **God will supply his people with everything we need to flourish beyond our wildest imagination.**
- The *initial* fulfillment of the prophecy was the ending of the _____; the ultimate & *final* fulfillment will occur at the end of the _____ when the entire earth is _____.
- Everything that exists will be for our _____, _____ and _____.
- We will work in heaven, but “we’ll approach our work with the _____ we bring to our favorite sport or hobby.”

Blessing #3

- **God will _____ with his people and enable us to experience & _____ the fullness of his glory.**
- This is the _____ for which we were created, or what the Westminster Catechism calls the “_____ of man.”
- (Randy Alcorn) “Our longing for heaven is a longing for _____. God’s greatest gift to us is, and always will be, _____.”

Conclusion

When the day is long
And the night, the night is yours alone
When you’re sure you’ve had enough (of this life)
Well, hang on . . . to God’s _____