



➤ TWO REASONS THAT GOD RECORDED THE “MINOR PROPHETS” FOR US:

1. God gives them to _____.

⁴ For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through the endurance taught in the Scriptures and the encouragement they provide we might have hope. **Romans 15:4** (NIV)

2. God gives them to _____.

These things happened for a reason: to sound a warning. They were written down and passed down to us to teach us. They were meant especially for us ¹² So let even the most confident believers remember their examples and be very careful not to fall as some of them did. **1 Corinthians 10:11-12** (VOICE)

➤ JOEL WARNS GOD’S CHILDREN ABOUT THE DANGER OF INDIFFERENCE.

a) _____.

¹⁵ I know your deeds, that you are neither cold nor hot. I wish you were either one or the other! ¹⁶ So, because you are lukewarm—neither hot nor cold—I am about to spit you out of my mouth. **Revelation 3:15-16** (NIV)

“‘Love the Lord your God with every passion of your heart, with all the energy of your being (soul), and with every thought that is within you (mind).’” ³⁸ This is the greatest and supreme commandment. **Matthew 22:37-38** (TPT)

b) _____.

You brag, ‘I’m rich, I’ve got it made, I need nothing from anyone,’ oblivious that in fact you’re a pitiful, blind beggar, threadbare and homeless. **Revelation 3:17** (MP)

➤ WHEN I’M INDIFFERENT ABOUT MY SIN ...

Sound the alarm in Jerusalem! Let the blast of the warning trumpet be heard upon my holy mountain! Let everyone tremble in fear, for the day of the Lord’s judgment approaches. **Joel 2:1** (TLB)

1. _____.

Read: Joel 1:1-20-2:1-11

^{5b} “My son, do not make light of the Lord’s discipline, and do not lose heart when he rebukes you, ⁶ because the Lord disciplines the one he loves, and he chastens everyone he accepts as his son.” ⁷ Endure hardship as discipline; God is treating you as his children. For what children are not disciplined by their father? **Hebrews 12:5b-7** (NIV)

2. _____.

Sound the trumpet in Jerusalem!^[a] Raise the alarm on my holy mountain! Let everyone tremble in fear because the day of the Lord is upon us. **Joel 2:1** (NLT)

¹² That is why the LORD says, “Turn to me now, while there is time. Give me your hearts. Come with fasting, weeping, and mourning. ^{13a} Don’t tear your clothing in your grief, but tear your hearts instead.” **Joel 2:12-13a** (NLT)

▪ Repentance is NOT _____.

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▪ Repentance IS _____.

For the kind of sorrow God wants us to experience leads us away from sin and results in salvation. There’s no regret for that kind of sorrow. But worldly sorrow, which lacks repentance, results in spiritual death. ¹¹ Just see what this godly sorrow produced in you! Such ...such alarm. **2 Corinthians 7:10-11** (NLT)

3. _____.

Change your life, not just your clothes. Come back to GOD, your God. And here’s why: God is kind and merciful. He takes a deep breath, puts up with a lot, This most patient God, extravagant in love...ready to cancel catastrophe. Who knows? Maybe he’ll do it now, maybe he’ll turn around and show pity. Maybe, when all’s said and done, there’ll be blessings full and robust for your GOD! **Joel 2:13** (MP)

Then the LORD will show concern for his land. He will take pity on his people. ¹⁹ He will reply, “I will send you grain, olive oil and fresh wine. It will be enough to satisfy you completely. ²⁷ You will know that I am with you in Israel. I am the LORD your God. There is no other God. So my people will never be put to shame again. ²⁸ “And afterward, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your old men will dream dreams, your young men will see visions. **Joel 2:18b-19, 27-28** (NIV)

4. _____.

¹¹ The Lord thunders at the head of his army .. and mighty are those who obey his command. The day of the Lord is great; it is dreadful. Who can endure it? ¹² Let the nations be roused; let them advance into the Valley of Jehoshaphat, for there I will sit to judge all the nations on every side. ¹³ Swing the sickle, for the harvest is ripe. Come, trample the grapes, for the winepress is full and the vats overflow-- so great is their wickedness!” ¹⁴ Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision! For the day of the LORD is near in the valley of decision. ¹⁶ The LORD will roar from Zion and thunder from Jerusalem; the earth and the heavens will tremble. But the LORD will be a refuge for his people, a stronghold for the people of Israel. **Joel 3:12-16** (NIV)

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