



Introduction

This prophecy looks forward to the day of the LORD.



Questions

1. What will God do in those days and in that time?
2. What will God's people know when he is a refuge to them?
3. What will finally happen to Judah and Jerusalem?



Summary Points

- **v 1 to 8** The LORD will judge all nations that have fought against Israel and punish them for the way they have treated his people
- **v 9 to 16** Joel predicts a battle when the LORD will defend Israel
- **v 17 to 21** After this Israel and specifically Jerusalem will have a glorious future (see theme)

Timeline 850 BC (see below)



Theme

Jerusalem - future world capital

Psalms 2 says that Zion, as part of Jerusalem, is the centre of the rulership as promised by God:

Psalms 2 verse 6

Mount Zion is described as God's chosen city in Psalm 48:

Psalms 48 verses 1 and 2

The prophets Jeremiah and Micah speak of the world being ruled from Jerusalem at a time of peace:

Jeremiah 3 verse 17

Micah 4 verses 1 to 3

The prophet Zechariah tells of the sanctions that will be imposed on nations who don't respect the rule from Jerusalem:

Zechariah 14 verses 16 to 19

Jesus identifies Jerusalem as an important city:

Matthew 5 verses 34 and 35



Answers to questions

Verses which answer the questions:

Q 1: v 1 and 2, Q 2: v 16 and 17, Q 3: v 20



Bible timeline

