

The Natural Disaster - Locusts (1:4)

How bad is it? (1:1-16)

Natural disaster is a _____ to spiritually reorient.

How do we reorient?

- _____ - purposeful removal of food to focus on prayer (1:14, 2:15)
- _____ - God's people gather they don't scatter (1:14, 2:15)
- _____ - we pray all kinds of prayers (1:9, 17-20, 2:12-14)
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- _____ - we think "God rules" and "God returns."

- God _____ over nature. (2:25)

Would it be better if God wasn't in charge of disaster? What are my options?

- God _____ - The Day of the Lord (Joel 2:1-2, 11; 2 Peter 3:10, 13)

Three Aspects of God's Return:

- God's _____ (Joel 3:2-15)
- God's offer of _____ (Joel 2:30-32, 3:16; Romans 10:9-13)
- God's promise of _____ (Joel 2:23-25)

Why does this matter?

1. Not every natural disaster is _____ natural disaster.
2. We don't know _____.
3. We always need a reminder to _____.
4. A FAST response can apply to _____.