SCRIPTURE TEXT FOR TODAY:

JOEL 2:1,12-19

"EARTH TO EARTH, ASHES TO ASHES, DUST TO DUST"

"Blow the trumpet in Zion,
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Joel 2:1

"Now, therefore,"
says the Lord,
'Turn to ME
with all your heart,
With fasting,
with weeping, and
with mourning.'"
Joel 2:12

"So rend your heart, and not your garments; Return to the Lord your God, For HE is gracious and merciful, Slow to anger, and of great kindness; And HE relents...doing harm."

Joel 2:13

"Who knows if HE will turn and relent, And leave a blessing behind HIM--A grain offering and a drink offering For THE LORD your GOD?" Joel 2:14 "Blow the trumpet in Zion, Consecrate a fast, Call a sacred assembly;

Gather the people, Sanctify the congregation...,"

Joel 2:15-16a

"...Assemble the elders,
Gather the children and
nursing babes; Let the
bridegroom go out from his
chamber, And the bride
from her dressing room"
Joel 2:16b

"Then the Lord will be zealous for His land, And pity His people.

The Lord will answer and say to His people,... "

Joel 2:18-19a

"Behold, I will send you grain and new wine and oil,

And you will be satisfied by them; I will no longer make you a reproach among the nations." Joel 2:19b

POINTS:

(1)...REFLECTION (2)...REPENTANCE

(3)...RECONCILATI ON

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SERMONIC PNT. #3:

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