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JUNE 27: JOEL

More than likely we've all done something we weren't supposed to and then got caught, and in that moment we perhaps feared being punished. Sometimes the thing that is worse than being punished is waiting to find out what the punishment will be. The prophet Joel speaks of the coming Day of the Lord when God will punish those who rebel against Him. But Joel also calls the people to repent and see that God's desire is to show compassion toward His people.

SCRIPTURE:

Joel

GOING DEEPER QUESTIONS:

1. Share a time that you experienced compassion, at time someone was gracious and kind to you even though you didn't deserve it. What did you do and how did that make you feel?
2. What is something from the message that stood out to you, was new to you or challenged you?
3. Respond to the statement "God's desire is always to show us compassion." Is this true? Why or why not?
4. God is both righteous and just. Why is it important that He is both of these?
5. Joel lists 5 attributes of God's character (gracious, compassionate, slow to anger, abounding in love & relenting). Which one(s) do you connect with and which do you have a hard time with? Why?
6. Joel ends with the invitation for the people to make a choice regarding their relationship with God. What choice are you going to make?
7. How is the the Holy Spirit inviting you to respond? What step(s) of obedience can you start taking today?