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NOTE. Joel prophesies for 3 time periods. His present time leading up to Judah's captivity into Babylon, the First Coming of Jesus, and His Second Coming. Sometimes he prophesies of combinations of these simultaneously, even in the same verse.

Joel lived during the reigns of Jehu and Jehoahaz in Israel, the reign of Joash in Judah, and the ministry of Elisha.

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