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# Prosperity I

" What the locust swarm has left the great locusts have eaten; what the great locusts have left the young locusts have eaten; what the young locusts have left other locusts have eaten."

Joel 1:4

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**FOR YOU –** The prophet Joel, a minister in the time of the King Jehoash, foresaw a vision of locust (crickets, aphids, lizards, and voracious insects) prophesizing an invasion of enemy armies. This reality can currently be determined in the financial crisis. They act against patrimonies, houses, cars, provoke accidents, destroy families, marriages and communities, generating misery, demoralizing, dirtying names, provoking shame, struggle, pain, anguish...suicide. Let's study this in depth and learn how to rid yourself of your actions.

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## The Destruction of the Locust

— <u>Cutter.</u> Acts on plantations ruining fruits, wrecking the crops. (Joel 1:4)
— <u>Migrating.</u> Acts by surprising in swarms, increasing the damage made by the cutter. (Joel 1:4)
— <u>Devourer.</u> Violent type that causes damage and bankruptcy. (Joel 1:4)
— <u>Destructor.</u> Power of annihilation (scorpion): it hurts the farmer and the family. (Joel 1:4)

## The Locust Have its Strategies

— Destroys at day and night. (Joel 1:6)

## The Locust Have a Specific Action

— They eat leaves, destroy fig trees, strip the bark, the branches turn white, lose their strength and become sterile. (Joel 1:7)

## The Actions of the Locus Leaves Serious Consequences

— Embarrassment, pain, regret, wailing, grief, devastation, sadness. (Joel 1:12)

## Each Type of Locust Represents a Diabolical Power that Acts in Patrimonies, Assets, Salaries and Wealth

— Cutter. Acts in the material life of the disobedient, eats the income, destroys the salary, Eat, by the way of cigarettes, alcohol, gambling, medicine, electric appliances, clothes, cars (crash) – throws away the money.
— Migrator. Inconsistent, acts with damages and unexpected expenses.
— Devourer. Are devastating. Generate misery, pain, debts, damages, hunger, insomnia and unemployment. The victims have their houses and assets taken; can't pay obligations, get involved with devious and dangerous business dealings, assets are taken to auctions, suffer death threats because of debts, become without credit, without morality and without worth. Become garbage, being rejected even by friends, only relate to misery and disgrace. Doors close, they are dumped, everything they do is in vain and are taken to alcoholism and drugs.
— Destroyer. Induces suicide, disasters, death, dread, only ashes remain.

### Satan has 4 ways of Stealing

— Plague, shatters, takes the house, cast it to the ground. (Joel 1:7)

## God has 4 ways of blessing everything that is done for Him or his works

— Good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over. (Luke 6:38)

## The Filth Left by the Locust

— They eat 24 hours without stopping, defecating at the same time, leaving everything dirty. When they act in the life of man, they soil their name, leaving them without credit, moral, or honor.

## The Invasion of the Locust Happened Because People Stopped Contributing

— "Put on sackcloth, you priests, and mourn; wail, you who minister before the altar. Come, spend the night in sackcloth, you who minister before my God; for the grain offerings and drink offerings are withheld from the house of your God." (Joel 1:13)

## How Can We Beat the Cutter, Migrator, Devourer and Destroyer? What is the Antidote for it? How Can We Stop Their Actions? How Can We Protect Our Goods, Patrimonies and Salaries? What Is the Secret for the Christians to be Victorious Over Them?

— The tithe is the antidote of God. Only the tithe can rebuke, hindering actions against the patrimony, assets and salaries
— There are guarantees to those who tithes. (Malachi 3:10-11)
— Only obedience and fidelity on tithing can prevent the attacks and destructions. (Joel 2:14)

**FINAL WORDS:** Do not play with these locusts! A lot or a little, consecrate your tithe to the Lord. Only by this, you will have a God's commitment to protect your finances.