

Outline: The Book of Amos

I. Judgment of surrounding nations (chapters 1:1-2:3)

- A.** Introduction (1-2)
- B.** Judgment against Syria (1:3-5)
- C.** Judgment against Philistia (1:6-8)
- D.** Judgment against Phoenicia (1:9-10)
- E.** Judgment against Edom (1:11-12)
- F.** Judgment against Ammon (1:13-15)
- G.** Judgment against Moab (2:1-3)

II. Judgment of Judah and Israel (2:4-6:14)

- A.** Judgment against Judah (2:4-5)
- B.** Judgment against Israel (2:6-16)
- C.** God's charge against all of Israel (3)
- D.** Israel punished for her past (4)
- E.** Israel punished for her future (5)
- F.** Israel admonished now (6)

III. Visions of the future (chapters 7-9)

- A.** Vision of grasshoppers (7:1-3)
- B.** Vision of fire (7:4-6)
- C.** Vision of plumbline (7:7-9)
- D.** Historic interlude (7:10-17)
- E.** Vision of a basket of summer fruit (8)
- F.** Vision of worldwide dispersion (9:1-10)
- G.** Vision of worldwide regathering and restoration (9:11-15)

Discussion Questions: Amos

Chapters 1-2

1. What did Amos do before God called him to be a prophet?
2. How does the earthquake mentioned in the chapter help us date the book?
3. What eight nations are condemned in Amos 1 and 2?
4. For what sins did God condemn Judah and Israel?

Chapters 3-4

1. Does God always accomplish his will in secret?
2. What warning does God make in chapter four?

chapters 5-9

1. What is one of the calamities to come upon Israel?
2. What does the word Zion reference?
3. Who was Amaziah the priest of Bethel?
4. What is false about Amaziah's accusations against Amos?
5. What were some of Israel's great sins?
6. Why is the Lord seen standing next to an altar?
7. What encouragement does Amos give at the end his book?