

## The Book of Amos

### Key Verses:

**Amos 3:3** Can two walk together, except they be agreed?

**Amos 4:12** Therefore thus will I do unto thee, O Israel: and because I will do this unto thee, **prepare to meet thy God**, O Israel.

**Amos 5:24** But let **judgment** run down as waters, and **righteousness** as a mighty stream.

### Introduction to Amos

- **Main Purpose:** to Pronounce **judgment** on the Northern Kingdom of Israel (Israel)
- **Author:** Amos
- **To Whom Written:** Israel – the **Northern** Tribe
- **Date Written:** **760-750** BC (during the reigns of Jeroboam II, king of Israel, and Uzziah, king of Judah)
- **Key People:** **Amos**, Amaziah and Jereboam II
- **Key Places:** **Bethel** and Samaria
- **Contemporary with:** **Jonah** and Hosea in the North; Isaiah and **Micah** in the South
- **Amos presents God as the Ruler of this world and declares that all nations are responsible to Him.**
- **Number of Chapters:** **9**
- **Number of Verses:** **146**

### Amos 7:10–15

10 Then Amaziah the priest of Bethel sent to Jeroboam king of Israel, saying, **Amos hath conspired against thee** in the midst of the house of Israel: the land is not able to bear all his words.

11 For thus Amos saith, **Jeroboam shall die by the sword**, and **Israel shall surely be led away captive out of their own land**.

12 Also Amaziah said unto Amos, O thou seer, go, flee thee away into the land of Judah, and there eat bread, and prophesy there:

13 But prophesy not again any more at **Bethel**: for it is **the king's chapel**, and it is the king's court.

14 Then answered Amos, and said to Amaziah, **I was no prophet**, neither was **I a prophet's son**; but I was an **herdman**(*bo-kare'* – herdman; **Cowboy**), and a gatherer of sycamore) fruit(*shik-maw'* = Mulberry **fig**):

15 And the **Lord took me as I followed the flock**, and the Lord said unto me, Go, prophesy unto my people Israel.

### About the Author:

- Amos was born in **Judah**, the southern kingdom,
- He was a prophet to the **northern** kingdom.
- His message was delivered in **Bethel** at the king's chapel.

- Amos was with the **herdmen** (*no-kade'* = the owner that **marks** them) Cattle Owner
- Amos was a **bo-kare'** or **Cowboy**
- Amos was a **Farmer** Harvester of Figs
- **Tekoa** was Amos' birthplace and his hometown.
- Six miles south of Jerusalem near to the familiar little place of Bethlehem
- **Tekoa** means "a **camping ground.**"
- Amos disturbed the **liberal** element

## Outline

### I. Judgment on Surrounding **Nations**, (Amos 1:1–2:3)

#### A. Introduction, (Amos 1:1–2)

1 The words of Amos(**burdensome**), who was **among the herdmen**(*no-kade'* = the owner that **marks** them) of Tekoa(a place in **Palestine**), which he saw concerning Israel in the days of Uzziah king of Judah, and in the days of Jeroboam the son of Joash king of Israel, **two years before the earthquake.**

2 And he said, The LORD will roar from Zion, and utter his voice from Jerusalem; and the habitations of the shepherds shall mourn, and the top of Carmel shall wither.

### II. Judgment on **Judah** and Israel, (Amos 2:4–6:14)

### III. **Visions** of Future, (Amos 7)