

## 11 – THE COMING JUDGMENT (AMOS 1:1-2:16)

### I. The Lord Roars (Amos 1:1-2)

#### A. The Prophet (Amos 1:1)

- The writer introduces the book as the prophecy given to the prophet Amos.
- It was given to the prophet during the days of Uzziah and Jeroboam II.
- It was given two years before an earthquake, which was also mentioned by Zechariah.

SCRIPTURE Zechariah 14:5

#### B. The Lord as a Lion (Amos 1:2)

- Amos portrays the Lord as a lion roaring from Jerusalem.
- The Lord's roar affects the world as it mourns and withers.

### II. Concerning the Nations (Amos 1:3-2:3)

#### A. Damascus (Amos 1:3-5)

- The Lord will not turn away his judgment for the four transgressions that Damascus committed.
- Damascus, the capital of Aram, will be punished for its brutal attacks on Israel.

#### B. Gaza (Amos 1:6-8)

- Gaza will be judged because they took Israel as captives for the slave markets in Edom.

#### C. Tyre (Amos 1:9-10)

- Tyre will be judged because they took Israel as captives for the slave markets in Edom.
- Tyre will be judged as well for forgetting the agreement between Solomon and Hiram.

SCRIPTURE 1 Kings 5:1–18

#### D. Edom (Amos 1:11-12)

- Edom is judged for pursuing his brother Israel with a persistent and unfeeling hostility.

#### E. Ammon (Amos 1:13-15)

- Ammon is judged for its brutality in attacking Israel as they willfully killed pregnant women.

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## F. Moab (Amos 2:1-3)

- Moab is judged for desecrating the body of Edom's king.

## III. Concerning Judah (Amos 2:4-5)

- Judah is judged because they despised the Law and did not keep his commandments.
- Judah was led astray by lies which their fathers followed.

## IV. Concerning Israel (Amos 2:6-16)

### A. Israel's Sins (Amos 2:6-8)

- Israel was selling the poor into slavery for not repaying their debts.
- Israel was exploiting the courts to deny the poor justice.
- Israel was marked by sexual sin where a father and a son go to the same prostitute.
- Israel was worshipping false gods with their gains from exploiting the poor.

### B. Israel's Contempt (Amos 2:9-12)

- The Lord points out that he fought their enemies and gave them the land.
- In spite of this, Israel showed the Lord contempt by rejecting his ways and his word.

### C. The Consequences (Amos 2:13-16)

- The Lord proclaims that he is burdened by their sin as a cart of sheaves.
- He proclaims that their very best will be not escape the coming judgment.