



Adult and Teen Life Groups Conferencing Guide

SERMON DATE: 05/26/2019
DISCUSSION DATE: 06/02/2019
TEXT: AMOS 7-9

How do you define sin?

I. PRESENT JUDGMENT AND FUTURE BLESSINGS, 7:1-9:15

A. Visions and Exhortations of Israel's Certain Judgment, 7:1-9:10.

1. Two Visions of Yahweh Withholding Judgment, 7:1-6.

2. Visions and Exhortations Announcing that Yahweh Will No Longer Withhold Judgment, 7:7-9:10.

B. Proclamation of Israel's Future Restoration, 9:11-15.

1. The Restoration of the Davidic Kingdom, vv. 11-12.

- Isaiah 54:3-8; 2 Peter 3:3-9; Romans 8:16-18; 2 Corinthians 4:17; Psalm 89:20-29; 1 John 2:15-17

2. The Restoration of the Land, vv. 13-15.

- Zephaniah 3:20; Genesis 17:8; Joel 3:20-21; Zechariah 13:9

ASK GOD FOR WISDOM TO APPLY HIS WORD IN OUR DAILY LIVES

What does God want us to desire/value?	What does God want us to know?	What does God want us to do?
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1. **Read Genesis 4:7; 18:20; Proverbs 14:34; John 8:34; Romans 6:23; 14:23; James 4:17; 1 John 3:4, 8; 5:17.** What does God want us to know about sin? How does God want us to respond to sin? How does our view of sin affect our responses to temptation?
2. **Read Amos 6:8.** What does God hate? What does He promise to destroy? **Read Genesis 17:1-8.** What does God promise to do with Abraham's descendants? What does God want us to know about His promises and His judgments?
3. **Read Amos 7:7-9; 8:1-3.** What does God show Amos and what is the point of these two visions? Why will God **"not pass by them anymore?"** How does God reward their unfaithfulness? Is unfaithfulness on the part of God's people today (i.e. in His church) going to face similar judgment?
4. **Read Amos 8:11-12.** What kind of judgment does God promise to bring upon His unfaithful people? Do we have a right to hear from God? Can we determine when/if we hear from God? What happens to a people who refuse to listen to God? Do we, who have access to God's Word, properly treasure the Word and consider looking forward to our opportunity to hear it proclaimed? Do we value our access to God's Word properly?
5. **Read Amos 9:7-10.** Why does God compare Israel to the people of Ethiopia? How extensive is God's coming judgment? Who among God's covenant nation will die in this judgment? What is God purging from among His people?
6. **Read Amos 9:11-12.** What covenant promise to Israel will be fulfilled when the "tabernacle of David" is raised up? How does this promise correlate with the judgment context of Amos? When is "that day"?
7. **Read Isaiah 54:3-8.** What does God promise to do with us after judgment? What kind of mercies/compassion does God have for His people? **Read 2 Peter 3:3-9; Romans 8:16-18; 2 Corinthians 4:17.** How does present suffering in our lives relate to future glory? How do we respond to present suffering?
8. **Read Amos 9:13-15; Genesis 17:8; Joel 3:20-21; Zechariah 13:9.** What promises does God make concerning the land of Israel? What does God promise to do with His people? Who will be God's people forever?
9. **Read John 14:2-3; 2 Peter 1:4; 2 Corinthians 5:1, 8; Philippians 1:6; 3:20-21; 2 Timothy 2:11-12; James 1:12; Revelation 22:3-5.** What promises has God made to NT believers (i.e. His people – the redeemed who have been commanded to assemble in His church). What do we know about God's promises? How do we know if we live like we believe them?
10. **Read 2 Corinthians 7:1; 2 Peter 3:14.** How should these promises impact our daily living?