

Harmony with God Amos 3

"When men talk of a little hell, it is because they think they have only a little sin and believe in a little Savior; it is all little together. But when you get a great sense of sin, you want a great Savior!" C.H. Spurgeon

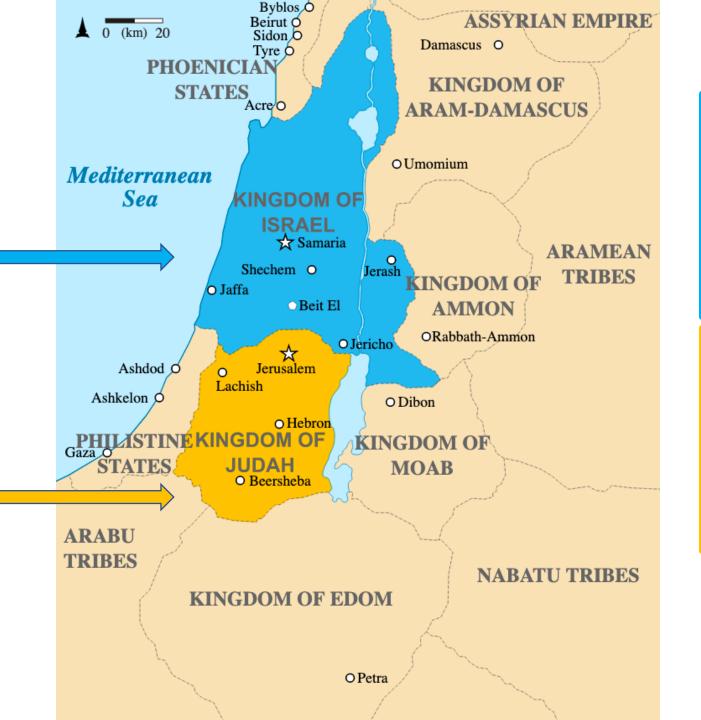


Israel – Northern Kingdom Amos 3



Northern Kingdom Israel

Southern Kingdom Israel



Saul – Benjamin
David – Judah
Solomon
Jerohoam - Ephraim

(19)
Hoshea (722BC)

Saul – Benjamin David – Judah Solomon Rehoboam

Assyrians

L (20) Jehoiachin (586) Babylonians Amos 3:3 Do two men walk together unless they have made an appointment? (NAS)

Amos 3:3 Can two people walk together without agreeing on the direction? (NLT)



"Teach me your way, O Lord – lead me in a straight path" Psalm 27:11



1 Hear this word which the LORD has spoken against you, sons of Israel, against the entire family which He brought up from the land of Egypt:



2 "You only have I chosen among all the families of the earth; Therefore I will punish you for all your iniquities."

Harmony in Lineage 1,2

- God's chosen nation not His chosen way
- With privilege is responsibility
- Taking advantage of 'family'
- "to whom much is given much is required" Luke 12:48
- Israel (N&S) are a witness for Jehovah Acts 1:8
- Example of God's grace or mercy? Holiness or Judgment?



"The Lord made it very plain in the New Testament that believers cannot escape reaping the kind of harvest they sow. We cannot hide our sin; we will not get away with it." Theodore Epp



4 Does a lion roar in the forest when he has no prey?

Does a young lion growl from his den unless he has captured something?



5 Does a bird fall into a trap on the ground when there is no bait in it? Does a trap spring up from the earth when it captures nothing at all?



6 If a trumpet is blown in a city will not the people tremble? If a calamity occurs in a city has not the

If a calamity occurs in a city has not the LORD done it?



7 Surely the Lord GOD does nothing Unless He reveals His secret counsel To His servants the prophets.



8 A lion has roared! Who will not fear? The Lord GOD has spoken! Who can but prophesy?

Harmony in Life 4-8

- The Lion has roared! Israel is caught!
- The trap has snapped the trumpet has sounded –
- The Lord GOD (Jehovah)
- No secrets no ambush JUSTICE
- How can we not tell others?
- Sin of the desert to know of water and not tell!

"The vague and tenuous hope that God is too kind to punish the ungodly has become a deadly opiate for the consciences of millions." A.W. Tozer



9 Proclaim on the citadels in Ashdod and on the citadels in the land of Egypt and say, "Assemble yourselves on the mountains of Samaria and see the great tumults within her and the oppressions in her midst.

10 But they do not know how to do what is right," declares the LORD, "these who hoard up violence and devastation in their citadels."

11 Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD, "An enemy, even one surrounding the land,
Will pull down your strength from you And your citadels will be looted."



12 Thus says the LORD,
"Just as the shepherd snatches from the lion's
mouth a couple of legs or a piece of an ear,
So will the sons of Israel dwelling in Samaria
be snatched away — With the corner of a bed
and the cover of a couch!

13 "Hear and testify against the house of Jacob,"

Declares the Lord GOD, the God of hosts.

14 "For on the day that I punish Israel's transgressions, I will also punish the altars of Bethel; The horns of the altar will be cut off And they will fall to the ground.



15 "I will also smite the winter house together with the summer house; The houses of ivory will also perish And the great houses will come to an end," Declares the LORD.



Harmony in the Land 9-15

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- A day of accounting has been called
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Bethel & Dan N. & S.

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"God has never, in the history of mankind, allowed his name to go long offended."

David Wilkerson



1 John 1:5 This is the message we have heard from Him and announce to you, that God is Light, and in Him there is no darkness at all.

6 If we say that we have fellowship with Him and yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth;

7 but if we walk in the Light as He Himself is in the Light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin.



9 If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.



Harmony in the Light – 1 John 1

- God's way is Light
- God's way is harmony with Him
- Walk in the Light Fellowship in the Light
- 'confession' = agreement with God
- 'say the same thing' harmony!
- We are forgiven Are we forgiving?



"The incentive to peacemaking is love, but it degenerates into appeasement whenever justice is ignored. To forgive and to ask for forgiveness are both costly exercises." John Stott

How do we 'agree with God'?

- What does God want us to do?
 - Accept the law of the LORD
 - Keep the law of the LORD
 - Teach the law of the LORD



"He has his back to the world, his face toward heaven and a Book in his hand." John Bunyan





As you leave - please mask up!

