

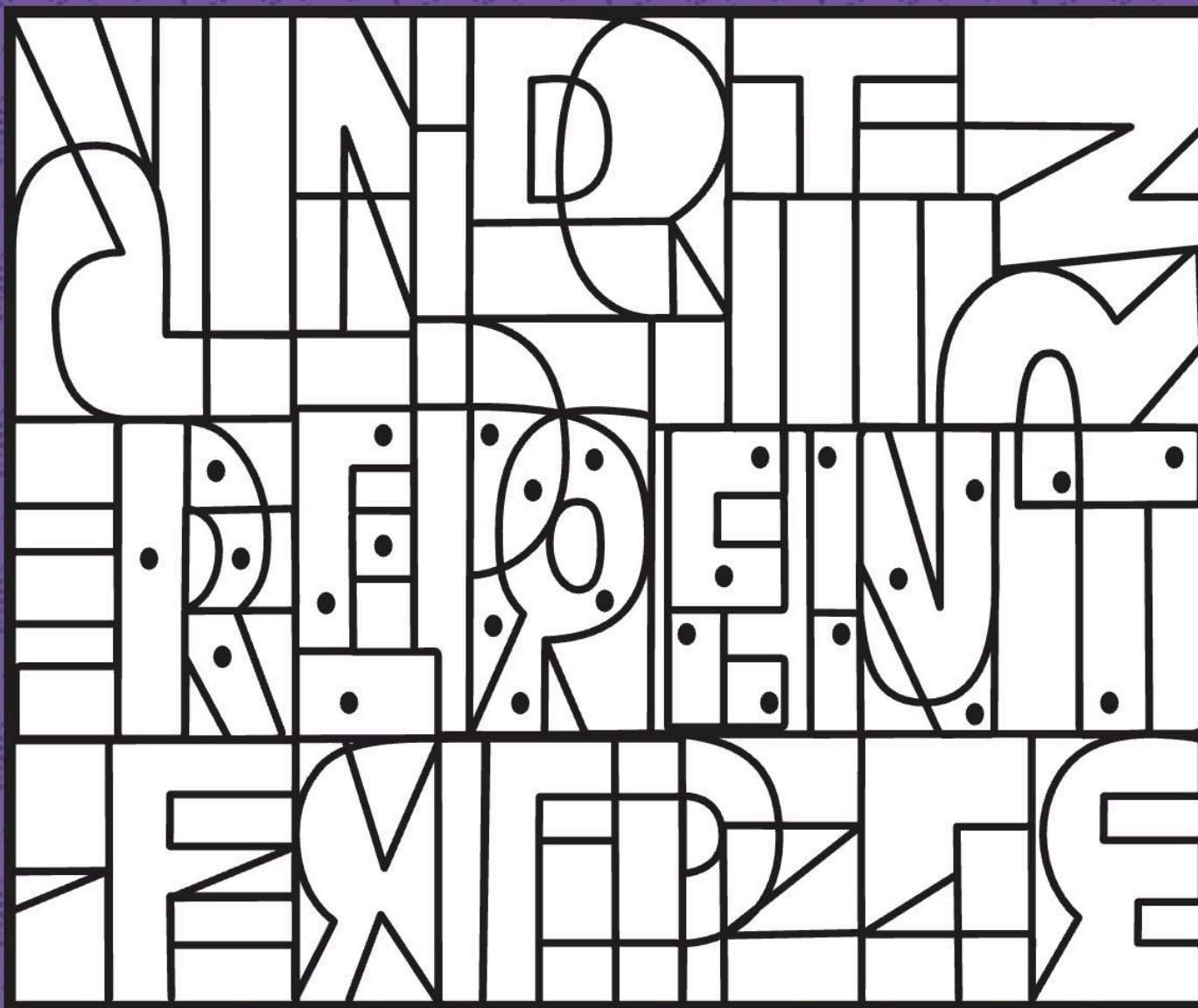


Grades 2-3 • Lesson 96

God Warns Israel

Amos 7:14-15, 3:1-2, 4:6-10, 3:10-11; Psalm 7:11

Finish the message God gave to Israel through Amos. Color in spaces with a dot to reveal the missing word then write it in the blank below.



Name _____

Memory Verse

Use the number code to fill in the missing letters in the memory verse. Look up the verse in your Bible to check your answers then read the verse aloud several times.

F R D S T P G L H V

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

My son, do not _e_ _i_ e

3 4 6 4

the Lord 's discipline or be

weary of his _e_ _oo_

2 6 2 1

for the Lord reproves him

whom he _o_ _e_ , as a

8 10 4

a _e_ the son in whom

1 5 9 2

he _e_ _i_ .

3 8 7 9 5 4

Proverbs 3:11-12

What You Heard *In the Word*

- God called Amos to deliver a message of repentance to the northern kingdom of Israel, warning them of coming destruction if they did not turn back to him.
- Because the Lord is just, he must punish all sin.

OutWord *For Family Discussion*

Suppose you are talking with your friends and one of them asks you how God could judge anyone forever because of just a few sins. Why is God so mean? I thought he was a God of love. **What would you say?**

God's Word does say that he is a God of love. But even though God is merciful, gracious, and loving, he is also holy and just. Because God is holy, he cannot stand sin; he hates it! And because he is just, God has to punish sin. But, instead of punishing us right here and now for our sins, he shows mercy by giving us time to turn from our sins. His greatest act of love was sending Jesus to earth. Jesus came to live, die, and conquer death by rising again so that we can be forgiven. God made a way for us to be saved! This great sacrifice was made because of God's love for us—and that certainly isn't mean.

