# RY CHARGE

#### **THE BOOK OF AMOS**

### Chapters 6 - 9

### "Israel's Judgment and Restoration!"

Go for God! > DATE: 780 - 755 B.C.

> AMOS- "To bear a load"

> THEME: "Judgment on sin!"

#### > CHAPTER OUTLINES:

CHAPTERS 1-2 - <u>Eight Prophecies</u> - Judgment of Israel & surrounding nations.

CHAPTERS 3 – 6 - Three Sermons - Sin of Israel - Past, Present & Future

**CHAPTERS 7 – 9 - Five Visions - Pictures of judgment of Israel** 

**CHAPTER 9:11-15 - Six Promises - Restoration of Israel** 

#### **CHAPTER 6 - "WOE JUDGMENT!"**

**Key Verse**: (v1) Lethargic leaders, no guts – no glory!

**THEME:** FOUR SINS OF THE NATION (V3-6) -

1. SEXUAL IMMORALITY

- 2. WORLDLY WORSHIP
- 3. DRUNKENNESS
- 4. Israel trusted in its riches instead of the living God!
- We cannot trust in riches, politicians, political parties, our constitution, our founding fathers, we must trust in the Lord Jesus Christ!
- Remember Jesus said in Mark 8:36-38 For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul? For whoever is ashamed of Me and My words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him the Son of Man also will be ashamed when He comes in the glory of His Father with the holy angels."

  Luke 12:16-21 Then He spoke a parable to them, saying: "The ground of a certain rich man yielded plentifully. And he thought within himself, saying, 'What shall I do, since I have no room to store my crops?' So he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build greater, and there I will store all my crops and my goods. And I will say to my soul, "Soul, you have many goods laid up for many years; take your ease; eat, drink, and be merry."' But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul will be required of you; then whose will those things be which you have provided?' "So is he who lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God."
- > From Chapters 7-9 we have visions given to Amos:

- 1. Vision of Locusts (7:1–3)
- 2. Vision of Fire (7:4–6)
- 3. Vision of the Plumb Line (7:7–9)
- 4. Vision of the Ripe Fruit (8:1–14)
- 5. Vision of the Lord (9:1-10) Amos 7:17

# <u>CHAPTER 7 – "THREE VISIONS & A SPIRITUAL CONFLICT!"</u> (v1-9) THREE VISIONS:

- (v1-3) VISION #1 Locust Swarms! Amos intercedes in prayer, the LORD relents.
- (v4-6) VISION #2 Fire! Amos intercedes in prayer, the LORD relents.
- (v7-9) VISION #3 Plumb Line (*Plumb Line* A small heavy weight on the end of a long cord, used to make sure a wall is standing vertically (<u>2 Kings 21:13</u>; level, <u>Isa 28:17</u>, NASB). In a vision, the prophet Amos saw the Lord measuring the nation of Israel with a plumb line. <u>The people were not considered true and straight in their devotion to God because they had fallen into worship of false gods (Amos 7:7-8).)</u>

# (v10-17) SPIRITUAL CONFLICT - Amaziah vs. Amos - Idolatrous Priest vs. God's Prophet

- (v10) Amaziah was the high priest of the sanctuary of the golden calf in Bethel. This shrine had been set up to keep the worshippers from going to Jerusalem to worship.
- (v17) Amos speaks of the impending doom of Amaziah and his family (when Bethel was taken by invasion, his wife would be raped, his children slain, and his land given to new settlers; Amaziah would go into captivity.)
- > <u>Today:</u> Monkey Prophets (evolution), Crystal Prophets (New Age), Immoral Prophets (hedonists), all other Religions & Cults vs. God's final Prophet and Son Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior! (Paul writes in 1 Corinthians 15:24-27 Then comes the end, when He delivers the kingdom to God the Father, when He puts an end to all rule and all authority and power. For He must reign till He has put all enemies under His feet. The last enemy that will be destroyed is death. For "He has put all things under His feet.")

#### **CHAPTER 8 – "FOURTH VISION: A HORRIBLE FAMINE!"**

- Fourth Vision of the Ripe Fruit (8:1–14) (Israel is ripe with sin and judgment is coming!)
- Key Verse: 8:11-12 "Famine of the Word of God!"
  This passage reminds us 2 Thessalonians 2:9-12 The coming of the lawless one is according to the working of Satan, with all power, signs, and lying wonders, and with all unrighteous deception among those who perish, because

they did not receive the love of the truth, that they might be saved. And for this reason God will send them strong delusion, that they should believe the lie, that they all may be condemned who did not believe the truth but had pleasure in unrighteousness.

# CHAPTER 9 – "FIFTH VISION & FIVE PROMISES FOR ISRAEL"

(v1-10) FIFTH VISION: DEATH & DISPERSION

### (v11-15) SIX PROMISES OF ISRAEL'S RESTORATION IN CHRIST'S MILLENNIAL KINGDOM!

- 1. Restoration of the Davidic Kingdom (v11)
- 2. Conversion of the nations (v12)
- 3. Restoration of fruitfulness in the Land (v13)
- 4. Israel's return from captivity (v14)
- 5. Restoring and rebuilding the waste cities (v14)
- 6. Israel's permanent settlement in the holy land (v15)

#### > Other Scriptures with the ultimate restoration of Israel:

- 1. Isa 27; 42–44; 65; 66
- 2. Jer 30–33
- 3. Eze 36; 37; 40–48
- 4. Da 9:20–27; 12:1–3
- 5. Hos 2:14–23; 14:4–7
- 6. Joel 3:18-21
- 7. Am 9:11–15
- 8. Ob 17, 21
- 9. Mic 7:14-20
- 10. Zep 3:14-20
- 11. Hag 2:20-23
- 12. Zec 13; 14
- 13. Mal 4:1-3

## - Here are denominations that teach the false doctrine of Replacement Theology:

The Roman Catholic Church

The United Methodist Church

**Evangelical Lutheran Church in America** 

**National Baptist Convention of America, Inc** 

Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

The Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod

**African Methodist Episcopal Church** 

**The Episcopal Church** 

**Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America** 

African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church

**United Church of Christ Christian Churches and Churches of Christ, Joplin, Mo**