

11. How can we help people to understand that our God is not only approachable, loving and forgiving, but that he is also a powerful Lord who created everything, and is so holy that he cannot look upon sin?



HEART

12. In one word, summarize the teaching of Amos. How does this make you feel as a Christ-follower?

13. What do you need to do to become more sensitive to sin in your life? How will you respond when the Holy Spirit reveals your sinful attitudes or actions?



HANDS

14. What are some practical ways to reflect God's holiness in your life on a daily basis?

15. Which of the four practical applications stood out to you the most this week? What will you do in response?

MINOR PROPHETS, MAJOR TRUTH

AMOS

Pastor Brian Williams

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Division of Amos:

- I. The Declarations of Sin and Judgment
- II. The Exhortations about Sin and Judgment
- III. The Visions of Judgment and Restoration

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

1. There is always a place for a _____ messenger of the Lord.
2. We must strive to make a _____ where God has placed us.
3. God has a _____ for what we believe and how we live.
4. Our only _____, individually, and as a nation, is in the Lord.

QUESTIONS FOR GROWTH

1. When people ask you about your hometown, what do you tell them? What are some words you use to describe the place you grew up?
2. Think about all the warning messages you hear over the course of a week. How many can you list? Which of them do you heed? Which of them do you ignore?



BIG IDEA OF SUNDAY'S SERMON

God never turns a blind eye to the sin and folly of His people.



HEAD

Read Amos 1-9

3. From the text itself, what did you hear/learn that you did not know before this weekend?
4. In describing the sins of the Judah, God says, "For three transgressions of Judah, and for four..." What does this use of numbers indicate about their sinfulness?
5. In Amos 4, God tried to get Israel's attention with several natural disasters. What was their response? What do you believe was the reason for this response?
6. There are five visions mentioned in Amos 7-9. Which vision stood out to you the most? Why?
7. Amos was called to be a prophet while going about his daily work. How can you be more sensitive to the Lord's leading while going about the normal course of your day? What will it take for you to be completely obedient to the Lord when He leads?
8. In the message, Pastor Brian said that Amos cared enough about his listeners to pray for God's mercy on them and to weep when the news came that God was going to punish them. How can you develop a heart of compassion for those whom God places in your path who need Him?
9. God has a standard for what we believe and how we live. How does what you believe affect your behavior? What are some areas you need to change to begin living according to God's standard and not your own? (Read James 1:22-27)
10. Pastor Brian quoted Gordon Keddie as saying, "God is measuring human wickedness, and there will be a reckoning and absolute justice will be served." What does this mean for American society? What does this mean for you personally? (Proverbs 14:34)