Amos Part IV

Amos 2:9-11

"Yet I destroyed the Amorite before them, whose height was like the height of cedars, and who was as strong as oaks; I destroyed his fruit above, and his roots beneath. Also I brought you up out of the land of Egypt, and led you forty years in the wilderness, to possess the land of the Amorite. And I raised up some of your children to be prophets and some of your youths to be Nazirites. Is it not indeed so, O people of Israel? Says the Lord."

Pattern in Chapter 4

Verse 9

"I struck you with blight and mildew; I laid waste your gardens and your vineyards; the locust devoured your fig trees and your olive trees; yet you did not return to me, says the Lord."...



Amos 6 - Complacency and Pride

¹Woe to you who are complacent in Zion, and to you who feel secure on Mount Samaria, you notable men of the foremost nation, to whom the people of Israel come! ² Go to Kalneh and look at it; go from there to great Hamath, and then go down to Gath in Philistia. Are they better off than your two kingdoms? Is their land larger than yours? ³ You put off the day of disaster and bring near a reign of terror.

Amos 6 - Complacency and Pride

- ⁴ You lie on beds adorned with ivory and lounge on your couches.
- You dine on choice lambs and fattened calves.
- ⁵ You strum away on your harps like David and improvise on musical instruments.
- ⁶ You drink wine by the bowlful and use the finest lotions, but you do not grieve over the ruin of Joseph.
- ⁷Therefore you will be among the first to go to exile;
 - your feasting and lounging will end.

Complacency in Mount Samaria

(Amos 6:1) Complacent = showing smug or uncritical satisfaction with oneself or one's achievements

"Secure in Mt. Samaria" = trusting in Mt. Samaria





PRIDE

The Sovereign LORD has sworn by himself—the LORD God Almighty declares:

"I abhor the pride of Jacob and detest his fortresses;

I will deliver up the city and everything in it."

AMOS 7:1-6

¹This is what the Lord GOD showed me: he was forming locusts at the time the latter growth began to sprout (it was the latter growth after the king's mowings). ² When they had finished eating the grass of the land, I said,

"O Lord GOD, forgive, I beg you!
How can Jacob stand?
He is so small!"

The LORD relented concerning this;
"It shall not be," said the LORD.

AMOS 7:1-6

⁴ This is what the Lord GOD showed me: the Lord GOD was calling for a shower of fire, and it devoured the great deep and was eating up the land. ⁵ Then I said,

"O Lord GOD, cease, I beg you! How can Jacob stand? He is so small!"

⁶ The LORD relented concerning this; "This also shall not be," said the Lord GOD.

AMOS 8:9-10

⁹On that day, says the Lord GOD, I will make the sun go down at noon, and darken the earth in broad daylight. ¹⁰ I will turn your feasts into mourning, and all your songs into lamentation; I will bring sackcloth on all loins, and baldness on every head; I will make it like the mourning for an only son, and the end of it like a bitter day.

AMOS 9

¹¹ "In that day I will restore David's fallen shelter

I will repair its broken walls and restore its ruins and will rebuild it as it used to be, ¹² so that they may possess the remnant of Edom and all the nations that bear my name declares the LORD, who will do these things.

"The days are coming," declares the LORD,

"when the reaper will be overtaken by the
plowman and the planter by the one
treading grapes.

AMOS 9

New wine will drip from the mountains and flow from all the hills,

14 and I will bring my people Israel back from exile. They will rebuild the ruined cities and live in them.

They will plant vineyards and drink their wine;
They will make gardens and eat their fruit.

15 I will plant Israel in their own land,
never again to be uprooted