

Turning the Hearts: Amos

Where Amos was from:

Tekoa, Judah. Country was politically strong (Uzziah—2 years before earthquake)
Poor—shepherd, tend fig trees. Not a professional prophet—just a normal “lay person”

Where Amos was sent:

Samaria, Israel. Politically strong (Jeroboam 2)
Wealthy Luxury Comfortable

Amos’ Message was about the chastening of God’s people who are in open rebellion.

Chapters 1-2

1. “For three sins of Damascus, even for four, I will not relent.
2. “For three sins of Gaza, even for four, I will not relent.
3. “For three sins of Tyre, even for four, I will not relent.
4. “For three sins of Edom, even for four, I will not relent.
5. “For three sins of Ammon, even for four, I will not relent.
6. “For three sins of Moab, even for four, I will not relent.
7. “For three sins of Judah, even for four, I will not relent.
8. “For three sins of Israel, even for four, I will not relent.

God had been very, very patient while they multiplied sins, full and overflowing, from generation to generation.

Chapters 3-6

Message of chastisement:

- with only the head of a bed and a piece of fabric from a couch
- I will tear down the winter house along with the summer house
- Hear this word, you cows of Bashan on Mount Samaria, you women who oppress the poor and crush the needy and say to your husbands, “Bring us some drinks!”
- I sent (famine, drought, pestilence, war)...but you have not returned to Me.

Chapters 7:1-9:10

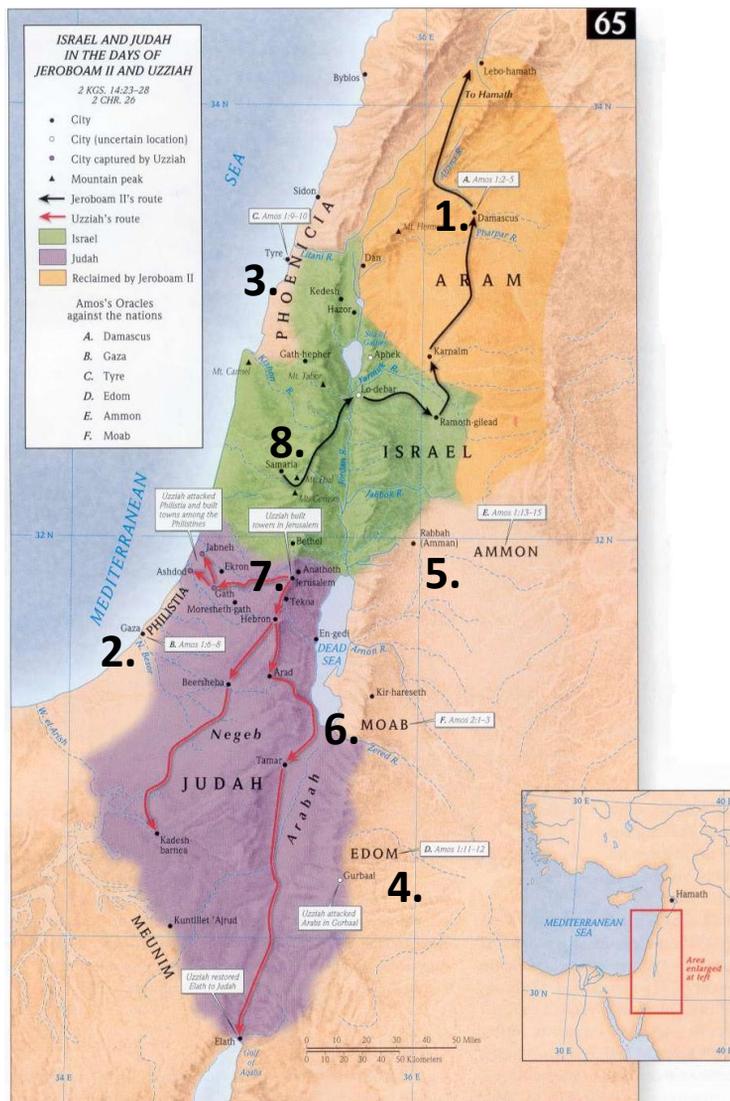
Visuals of chastisement: the Plumbline—God’s standard will be used to measure out justice.

Chapter 9:11-15

Message of restoration

“I will **rebuild** the house of David. I will **replant** Israel in the land.”

Where did the Davidic line fall? When Jeroboam took Israel and made 2 golden calves.



Surely the Lord God does nothing unless He reveals His secret counsel to His servants the prophets. Amos 3:7