



BIBLE PROPHECY

Revealing God's eternal
patterns and principles

- Bible Prophecy perspective:
- 1) An irrelevant history lesson? OR
- 2) A record of how God always decides and behaves that is relevant to all generations?
- God is reformulating His relationship with Israel from Protector to Adversary
- God has already lifted His hand of blessing on Israel
- Israel is deceived, thinking their prosperity indicates God's pleasure with their lifestyle and worship

SALVATION

Without condition?



- With our sufficient provocation & reckless unfaithfulness, God will reverse our redemption
- Church has rightly drawn a close parallel between redemption from Egypt and redemption from sin
- Unconditional love is not the same as unconditional salvation
- We must maintain our salvation through faithfulness

for if we go on
S I N N I N G
after receiving the
K N O W L E D G E
of the T R U T H
there no longer remains a
S A C R I F I C E F O R
S I N S

hebrews 10:26

- If our trust is only temporary, so is our salvation
- Hebrews 10:22 – 29
- This passage contains a series of **CONDITIONAL** words:
- Sincere, continue, keep
- The core of this message was brought by Prophets to Israel, and it was rejected



WHAT IS THE DAY OF THE LORD?

- Amos is the first to use the term “Day of the Lord”
- What it actually says is: “Day of Yehoveh”
- This will be the darkest of times;
a day of judgment, and not joy
- The Day of the Lord is not about a 24 hour day,
it is about a period of time

- Israel thinks they are immune from judgment
- “Woe” to those of Israel who yearn for The Day of the Lord
- Shalom M. Paul ***“past salvation is not an unlimited guarantee for future life insurance”***
- Vs. 19 uses simile to tell Israel that there is no means of escape



A DAY OF DARKNESS



- This darkness for Israel signals their UN-redemption
- Exodus 10:20 – 23
- Final 7 verses: Religious ritual does not save
- Unlike for Ephraim/Israel, did Jesus “baptize” the pagan traditions that Christianity has adopted?
- To hate means to reverse allegiance; ***ma’ac*** = reject



- God rejects all of Ephraim's sacrificial offerings
- *Olah, Minchah, Shelamim* represent the full range of sacrifices
- They are sacrificing within an illegal worship system
- Leviticus 26:26 – 31
- Songs and music used in worship also rejected, for the same reason
- Without righteous hearts, no worship is acceptable

QUESTION

ANSWER

What should we
say then? Should
we continue in sin
so that grace may
Multiply?

God forbid!!!!
How shall we, that
are dead to sin,
still live in it?

Romans

6:1-2

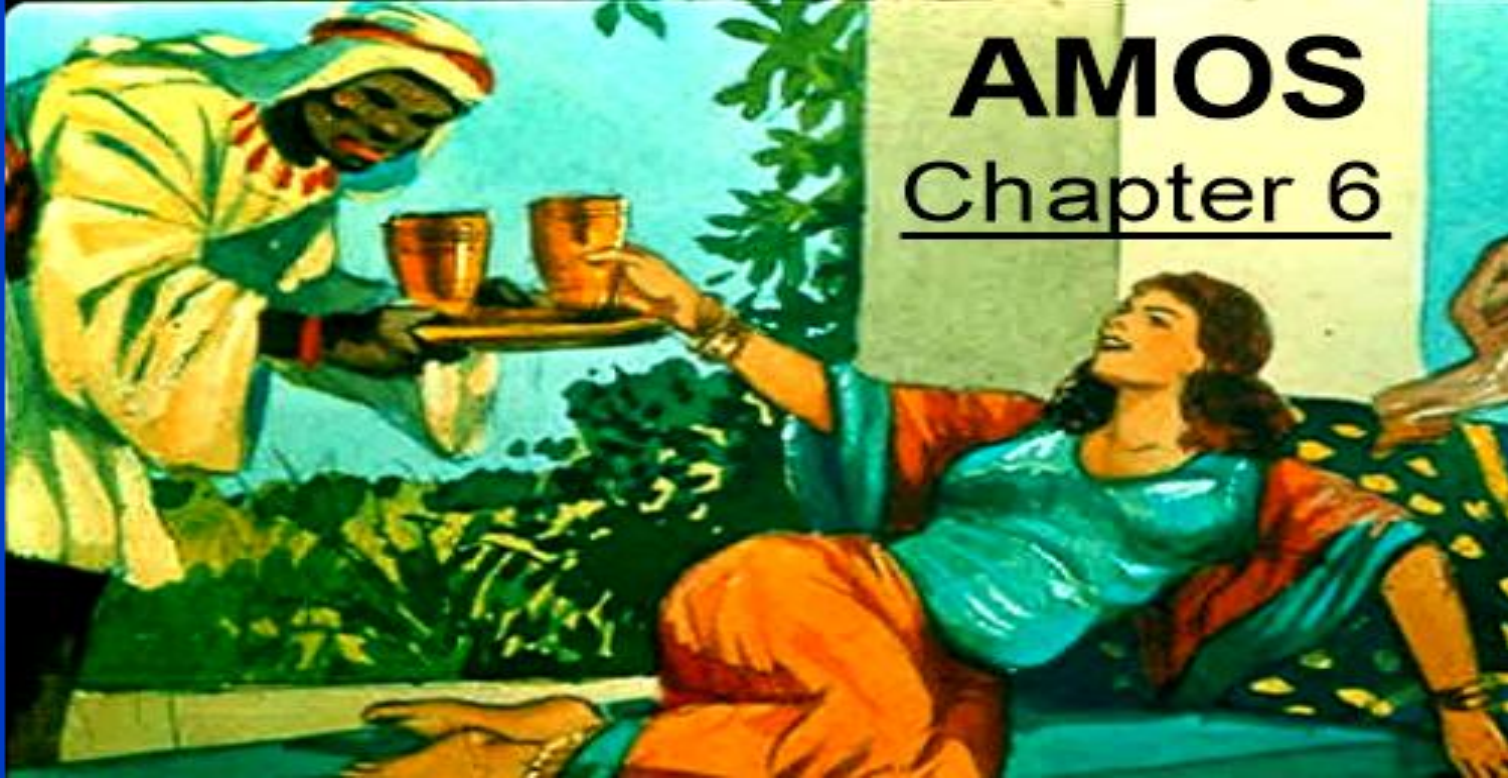
- Can Believers go on living un-righteous lives and still be acceptable to God?
- The remedy is in Amos 5:24
- 1Samuel 15:22
- Vs. 25 takes Israel back to the Wilderness Journey
- In the Wilderness, the Israelites could not do all of the rituals every day

It's always
been about.....

GRACE



- Grace was in action long before Jesus entered the world
- Redemption from Egypt, the Sacrificial System are all about grace
- The Wilderness Journey was perhaps Israel's most intimate time with God
- Jeremiah 7: 21 - 24



AMOS

Chapter 6

- Judah is now mentioned as being included
- Living near to the king always reserved for the wealthy
- God says Israel is no better than Calneh, Hamath, and Gath (all were subjugated nations)
- Leaders of Israel were mostly responsible for what is going to happen, and they deny the coming calamity
- The rich ate meat often; the common only at festivals