AMOS CHAPTER 9



- The words of Amos provide an illustration of our modern age
- The Christian faith as we know it today began with Constantine in the 4th century A.D.
- Manmade doctrines overwhelmed the religion of Israel, so God refused to accept their worship
- How do we find our way back? Believe God, and believe His Word



- ➤ Vs. 1 A 5th vision; the Lord standing next to an illegitimate altar in Bethel
- > The temple falls on its worshippers, crushing them
- Vs. 2 Nowhere to escape God's wrath and fury
- > 5 statements/examples of Israel's inability to escape
- 1 & 2, can't escape to Heaven or Sheol... a merism



- > Vs. 3 is illustrations 3 & 4, another merism
- Heights of Mt. Karmel versus depths of the sea
- ▶ Psalm 139:7 8
- God used a commonly held image of a sea monster to illicit terror for those who heard this prophecy
- Vs. 4 The 5th example, vertical and horizontal dimensions



- Why didn't Israel change their behavior? They didn't believe God
- The modern Church and Synagogue are unlikely to be rescued for the same reasons
- ▶ Luke 14:25 27 Revelation 18:4
- Our only way out: "...My people come out of her!..."



- Zechariah 14:1 4 Yehoveh's touch makes the earth quake and melt under the weight
- God reminds that He is ruler over the dominions of both Heaven and earth
- Vs. 7 Literally "sons of Cush"
- God brought the Philistines from Caphtor, and the Arameans (Edom) from Kir, in addition to bringing Israel from Egypt



- > Vs. 8 A ray of hope
- ▶ Leviticus 26:43 44
- A New Covenant for the gentile Church with Israel excluded is a false Church doctrine that is biblically dishonest
- God punished Israel for rejecting and hating His Torah; Christianity is doing just that

ISRAEL'S RESTORATION

- Sieve: the righteous are the kernels, the pebbles are the rebellious
- "On thatday" ...the restoration process begins
- A promise for the restoration of David's dynasty
- ➤ Hosea 3:4 5
- Israel re-born in 1948, now the exiles are returning!

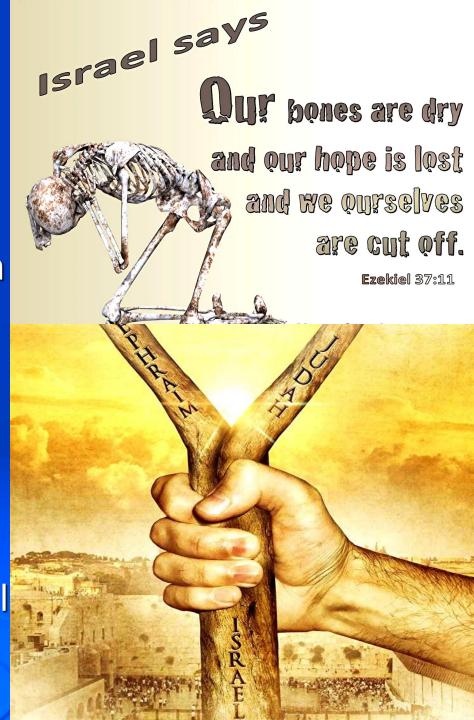




- Eilat, Red Sea port city, taken from Judah but now is back in the hands of Israel
- Israel's abundance upon their return will be even greater than before they were exiled
- ▶ Leviticus 26:41 42 Deuteronomy 30: 5 8
- Grapes harvested and pressed in August/September
- Seed sowing November/December

EZEKIEL 37

- Israel only a united nation for 80 years, under kings David and Solomon
- 2 Houses of Israel = Judah and Ephraim/Israel
- "Mountains of Israel" are today part of the West Bank controlled by the Palestinians
- Prophecy states that once back in the Land, Israel will never again leave it!





- Some Orthodox Jews believe David will be resurrected
- Most believe the Messiah will be of David's royal line
- While these days are coming, so is great evil, wars and diseases
- Then the war to end all wars
- > Then God's wrath
- Then the reign of Messiah Yeshua
- Then the new heavens and earth