

Amos 2:4-16 "Holy Name"



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What value does society or do we as individuals put on human life?

Do we let people take advantage of others and do nothing to stop them?

By grace, are you putting off the things that you despise in others' lives?

Amos 2:4 Thus says the Lord, "For three transgressions of Judah and for four I will not revoke its punishment,

Because they rejected the law of the Lord

And have not kept His statutes; Their lies also have led them astray,

Those after which their fathers walked.

5 "So I will send fire upon Judah And it will consume the citadels of Jerusalem."

- Amos 2:6 Thus says the Lord, "For three transgressions of Israel and for four, I will not revoke its punishment, Because they sell the righteous for money And the needy for a pair of sandals.
- 7 "These who pant after the very dust of the earth on the head of the helpless
- Also turn aside the way of the humble;

And a man and his father resort to the same girl In order to profane My holy name.

- 8 "On garments taken as pledges they stretch out beside every altar,
- And in the house of their God they drink the wine of those who have been fined.

Isaiah 43:7

Everyone who is **called by My name**, And whom I have created for My glory, Whom I have formed, even whom I have made."

Isaiah 44:5

"This one will say, 'I am the Lord's'; And that one will call on the name of Jacob; And another will write on his hand, 'Belonging to the Lord,' And will name Israel's name with honor.

- God's name is the character & reputation of the LORD.
- God's name is a marker to whom they belong.

Amos 2:9 "Yet it was I who destroyed the Amorite before them, Though his height was like the height of cedars And he was strong as the oaks; I even destroyed his fruit above and his root below. 10 "It was I who brought you up from the land of Egypt, And I led you in the wilderness forty years That you might take possession of the land of the Amorite. 11 "Then I raised up some of your sons to be prophets And some of your young men to be Nazirites. Is this not so, O sons of Israel?" declares the Lord.

- Amos 2:12 "But you made the Nazirites drink wine, And you commanded the prophets saying, 'You shall not prophesy!'
- 13 "Behold, I am weighted down beneath you
- As a wagon is weighted down when filled with sheaves.
- 14 "Flight will perish from the swift,
- And the stalwart will not strengthen his power,
- Nor the mighty man save his life.
- 15 "He who grasps the bow will not stand his ground,
- The swift of foot will not escape,
- Nor will he who rides the horse save his life.
- 16 "Even the bravest among the warriors will flee naked in that day," declares the Lord.

Luke 13:6 And He began telling this parable: "A man had a fig tree which had been planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and did not find any. 7 And he said to the vineyard-keeper, 'Behold, for three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree without finding any. Cut it down! Why does it even use up the ground?' 8 And he answered and said to him, 'Let it alone, sir, for this year too, until I dig around it and put in fertilizer; 9 and if it bears fruit next year, fine; but if not, cut it down."

What value does society or do we as individuals put on our relationship with God?

Do we let people take advantage of others and do nothing to stop them? Do we... love?

By grace, are you putting on the things that protect God's glory and God's name?