

30-Amos-02-Transcript

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[Music]

[Applause]

[Music]

well greetings brethren and welcome to
another wednesday night bible study

where we study the scripture

line upon line i apologize for my

setting i'm not in my studio just going
through

some renovations so i don't have access

to the studio this evening but hopefully

you can see me and more importantly that

you can hear me clearly uh this evening

god willing we're going to cover amos uh

chapters two and three we did uh dip

into chapter two a little bit yesterday

just to make sure that we covered the

extent of

amos's prophecy but let's go ahead open

with a word of prayer and then we can

get into the study

for this evening

our loving heavenly father we are just

so grateful

that we can come before you

we're so grateful father that you've put

us put it in our hearts

to pick up these ancient texts these

ancient scriptures

scriptures that date back thousands of

years

that most people in this world have no

desire to study

those that have a desire to study may

not necessarily understand

we thank you god that you've given us

both a desire to study and that you're

increasing our understanding we pray

father that you will

continue this mercy for us especially as

the world

grows darker and more cruel
we pray father that we can find refuge
in your word
we also thank you father for your loving
kindness your
our our father we thank you for the
personal relationship
that we all have with you
directly and with christ and father we
want to appeal to you right now for our
brother reg
who has
just received received a
a challenging diagnosis
we thank you so much father for his
faith his rock solid confidence in
you and in christ and we pray father
continue to bless that faith deepen that
conviction so that he's ready to face
whatever challenges he has to face
father and that he'll do it all
by just knowing with conviction how much
you in christ love him
we pray father that you'll be with us
this evening we ask for this blessing in
jesus most holy name amen
so brethren um just please a brother
here uh in our congregation
uh brother reg if you could please
remember him
uh in your prayers just i won't go into
any details just appreciate if you would
uh remember him in your prayers so
hopefully i'm coming through loudly and
clearly should be uh okay because i
don't have anything really
fancy hooked up this evening it's just
uh me and the laptop so let us get into
the study for this evening i'll go ahead
and share my screen
and uh hopefully that is gonna come
across very clearly i'm not gonna be
able to see
what you're seeing while i'm looking at

the screen just because i only have one screen here but last week for chapters one and two we saw the judgments of god and this prophet was raised up and unlike isaiah um well i guess two two things that sanders although there were contemporaries isaiah was a fairly sophisticated well-educated man who had access to the royal courts that he moved in very high circles and and he wrote in a very poetic way so there's a different personality that we saw with isaiah we spent a lot of time a few years with isaiah now we're going to spend some time with amos a very different personality different training he was a herdsman a shepherd and he said god raised him up he is a jewish man that god raised up and sent him to the northern tribes to prophesy there and it's a very straightforward prophetic word not a lot of poetry in fact the extent of the poetry i would say is what we read last week in chapter one in the first part of chapter two where we have this uh refrain you know for three transgressions and for four for three transgressions and for four and he repeats that seven no eight times so you know six of the nations are gentile nations that he begins with and these are the the neighbors of the of the israelite kingdom and condemns them and then the seventh nation is judah and seven normally being the number of completion but then there's an eighth and that is the focus of the prophetic word it's against israel and just as

we're going through
this
uh prophecy just by way of reminder
syria the syrians damascus
was condemned
and noticed the reason they were
condemned
because they threshed gilead which were
israelites so the syrians were threshing
the israelites and here we know that
they were israelites because in joshua
13 24
moses gave uh gad
uh and it says here
moses gave curtains unto the tribe of
god and just dropping down to verse
25.
he gave them all the cities of gilead so
we know the israelites were occupying
gilead when the syrians were threshing
it so the syrians were threshing another
people
in verse six the palestinians the gaza
we see that their transgression
uh they carried away captive the whole
captivity so the palestinians were again
persecuting
the nation of israel or the tribes of
israel
in amos 2 1 we see the moabites now
they're being punished just quick
reminders here but they're being
punished because they burned the bones
of the king of edom into line and we're
not sure of all the details there that
historical record i don't have access to
but it's certainly a level of brutality
that god is condemning and we're seeing
that these gentile nations
they don't get away they don't get a
pass just because they're not part of
the covenant doesn't mean they get a
pass for brutality so god is going to
bring all gentile nations into judgment

we know that from our study
in the book of revelation
but all of these nations notice as
they're being judged they're being
judged because of their cruelty to other
nations
now judah
when judah is being judged
they're being judged for a completely
different reason than the gentiles
they're being judged because the law of
the lord so they knew the law of the
lord and they despised it they didn't
keep it that's why judah is being judged
and then we came to the judgment on
israel which is the real subject matter
of the prophet amos and so all these
nations yes they're going to be judged
but amos's focus
what god inspired him to deliver was in
detail in technicolor
the judgment that was going to be upon
the northern tribes and now when we look
into why are they being judged i think
we see a lot of similarities here
with
our time today
our western
judeo-christian based nations
we can just see a tremendous amount of
similarity that maybe a few decades ago
wouldn't have been so apparent but it
certainly is very apparent today so here
we see unlike the gentiles now we see
israel coming into judgment in amos 2
verse 6. thus says jehovah
for three transgressions of israel
and for four
i will not turn away the punishment
thereof so same formula that he applied
to the gentile nations into judah he's
applying now to israel
why
because they sold the riches for silver

and the poor
for a pair of shoes so what is so
bizarre
about the
judgment of israel
is unlike the gentiles who are very
cruel
and very oppressive to other people
israel
is being judged because of their cruelty
and their oppression to their own people
how the elite in israel turned on their
own people
and this is what god brings them into
condemnation for
and i think we can see a very
significant parallel to what is
happening in our
judeo-christian nations today
that you know although we have been
certainly invaded
and oppressed
by
terrorists
and and other nations
that didn't get
the attention of the elite
what gets the attention of the elite is
anybody who dares to be unvaccinated and
i'll just maybe just pause here for a
moment
and um
let me just share
a
little story here
that we see here
for dr fauci
telling americans
to disinvite
unvaccinated family from christmas which
is a very special family occasion for
those who don't understand uh as because
of omicron spreading
that this

ruler the part of the elite is telling
you to separate from your family and
that certainly is uh no surprise to us
because that's the the level of and i
should just share that that's the level
of
um oppression that we're seeing now
where this government overreach where
they feel they can actually come in
and separate you from your family which
is in fact um the
clear indication
that you are part of a cult and pastor
murray actually shared something with me
uh earlier today
and uh let me just see if i can find it
here
i don't it's not coming up right away
but it was something he shared with me
about the
branch covidien said it's a it's a new
cult called the branch covidien and i
just think we remember years ago
hopefully most of us remember the branch
davidians who just followed this leader
around and just did whatever he he said
and uh we have forgotten that kind of
cult watch but here he says a new
religious cult has emerged the branch
covidien
remain terrified question nothing stay
at home and people just form this this
cult and a clear signal that you're
involved in a cult and i gave a um i
gave uh
armor of god on this
is any organization that if you're
involved in an organization and they
seek to separate you
from your family that's a major red flag
major major red flag when somebody is
seeking what an organization is seeking
to separate you from your family and as
a result of this covet scare

and in fact part of this article as well
which is quite interesting underneath it
i'm not sure if you can see the details
here but it's showing the survival rate
of of of covet and even this omicron uh
variant is much milder
than the delta variant
and years ago i remember when i was a
child if somebody in the neighborhood if
their kids got chickenpox it was like
send everybody over to joey's house he's
got the chickenpox so that they can get
they can get it too and build up the
natural antibodies today
we're so much a part of this atheistic
cult
that nobody can get sick
and the government will play daddy
the government will replace god
as the patriarch and once they do that
once once we allow them to have that
overreach then the oppression begins
then they separate you from your family
and the isolation begins and once you're
isolated and atomized you can be
manipulated
and inherit
and adopt their atheistic approach to
life
you know i think we all could do well to
understand we're going to get sick
something's going to get us eventually
and and that's okay because it's not all
about this life
and also if we do get sick we can pray
there's such a thing called prayer
but not in the world of the atheist not
in the world of this new cult this new
religion and so their their fear
and fear-mongering a lot of us are now
even though we claim we follow christ
we're adopting this fear-based approach
and we need to be very very careful i
think that christ is not going to take

it lightly if we
lose faith in fact he asked the question
when he returns will he find faith on
the earth
so
let's go back to the scripture here that
israel
and so we can see these modern nations
that claimed christ was the very
christian nations have christian
morality a christian moral code all gone
and and we
have helped them we ignore we we support
it yeah we don't want prayer in the
schools and now you know recently oh
social justice we want we want the
government to deliver social justice
so we turned to the government and we
wanted the government to get stronger
and as the governments have gotten
stronger they're now overreaching and
now with all of this covet and we're
afraid to go to work we want the
handouts from the government we want the
government to pay us money so when the
government pays us money we don't
realize that comes with strings attached
and whenever they're paying you they're
going to control you
and eventually where all of this is
heading is we need to bow down
and worship the image and do as we're
told
otherwise
you know they'll they'll
make it very difficult for us and as a
result many will abdicate
so we need to be very very clear that we
don't look to the government for social
justice god is coming with justice
and we don't look for the government to
take over our immune system
and subscribe us to to artificial
immunity when god has given us in fact

what they're saying now is you know uh
keep getting boosted because
the vaccines are just not working
but where our heads are just being
dazzled and we're following this
oppression and he says here that the
righteous are being sold for silver
and i think in all of the past two years
let's do an analysis
of how much money
the pharmaceutical companies have made
and are making over the last two years
so as i said years ago people had
chickenpox and it's like hey get get the
kids over there let them get it because
we weren't depending on pharmaceutical
companies
but they have figured out now how to
make money how to merchandise the poor
and this is this is god says he's
judging israel
because of their
oppression of their own people the
elites are oppressing their own people
and this is what god
is calling into question and and the
whole we're gonna read together
the the utter damnation
of god on
these people for oppressing their own
people
so do we think that our nations today
who the elite are oppressing their own
people
you know when we had um
when we had terrorists
coming in and blowing things up they
didn't care
we had terrorists coming in and raping
and maybe they there just wasn't any
presence
you didn't see the police force
but once we have
our own people not wearing a mask

so if our own people don't wear a mask
then you see the police force
all out police force and and you know
today we have no borders so so we're
happy to uh allow i shouldn't say we but
america happy to open its borders and we
see now just one sample
a saudi arabia terrorist is busted
illegally crossing the border into the
u.s from mexico
this is what you get when you open your
borders
and so let's just stay tuned this is
just they just caught one
but
hundreds of thousands of people
are crossing the border open borders
so let's stay tuned
and let's see what happens and let's see
if we see the police force the police
presence against these terrorists
the way we're seeing it against omicron
the way we're seeing it against somebody
who doesn't a citizen who doesn't wear a
mask
the way we're seeing against the
unvaccinated will we see this so this is
god calls this into question
this oppression and this merchandising
the elite merchandising their own people
and that certainly describes our society
today we're
merchandising our own people so they
sold the poor they sold the righteous
for silver
were being sold for silver and the poor
for a pair of shoes
meaning just absolutely zero regard
and and whoa unto us if we're falling
for this socialist communist uh rhetoric
that oh the government's gonna care for
us
it's gonna give us a universal basic
income and

the government will play daddy
and look after us woe into us if we
believe this and woe unto us if we have
supported causes that have enabled these
governments to get stronger
because this is where it's heading and
god has complete condemnation for it
that the the the vivid detail that amos
is about to give us these this is the
reason why
this is the reason why
he says in verse 2 that pant after the
dust of the earth on the head of the
poor
and turn aside the way of the being so
even when the poor is in mourning they
even want that
and turn aside the way of the meek
and the man and his father will go in
unto the same maid and so this
absolutely s this sexual perversion
does that describe our societies today
have we completely lost our moral code
to the point where we're trying to
normalize pedophilia
this is
this is israel they they're covenant
people and they have completely
forgotten what is in the covenant and
the expectations of the covenant they do
all of this god says to profane
my holy name
and they lay themselves down
upon clothes laid to pledge by every
altar and they drink the wine of the
condemned in the house of their god so
here this um close laid to pledge if you
go to exodus 22 and verse 26 just
understand the context of this
if you at all take your neighbor's
raiment to pledge you shall deliver it
unto him by that the sun goes down so if
he's poor and that's all he has and for
whatever reason he has to give it to you

as a pledge you make sure you give it
back to him by nightfall so that at
least he can have that that comfort and
that that warmth of his single garment
but here they're taking that and they're
in the evening there's lying down on it
and not giving it back to the poor and
drinking the wine of the condemned so
whatever money they're making they don't
care they're happy to celebrate and just
again merchandise the poor in the house
of their god these are israelites
and they have completely turned to
idolatry
and then god is now up through amos
posing this
juxtaposition
that this this is israel's behavior
and yet look at god's faithful covenant
behavior
yet destroyed i the amorite before them
i did this i brought them into the the
promised land and i destroyed the
amorite before them
you think there'd be a bit of gratitude
and acknowledgment yet destroyed i the
amorite before them whose height
was like the height of cedars
and he was strong as the oaks
so this was an impossible task how how
is this small
emergent nation
going to take down the amorites well god
took them down for them
yet i destroyed his fruit from above and
his roots from beneath also i brought
you up from the land of egypt
so again to us we read these these are
just words but had we lived in the time
this is an impossible task
how does anybody escape egypt
the most powerful nation
at the time is this dynasty that just
some seemed eternal just ongoing

but god brought them out of the land of
egypt and led you 40 years through the
wilderness to possess
the land of the amorite so you have
these two powerful peoples
you're being enslaved by egypt i took
you out of egypt and these powerful
people the amorites i displaced them for
you
and yet look how you israel are treating
me here in exodus 3 and verse 8 we see
moses
conveying exactly this message
and i am come down to deliver them out
of the hand of the egyptians
and to bring them up out of that land
unto a good land and a large
unto a land flowing with milk and honey
unto the place of the canaanites
and the hittites and the amorites and
the parasites and the hivites and the
jebusites so
it's not just the amorites it's the
hittites the parasites the hibbites the
the jebusites and the canaan the
canaanites uh all of these peoples
were displaced and god did it god gave
them supernatural strength to move these
people and displace them and inherit
this land not not to mention that he
took them up from from egypt to begin
with took them out of egypt to begin
with
and then he says in addition to doing
all of this
this this is again the the context of
god's anger
in addition to doing all of this
and i raised up of your sons for
prophets
imagine that
that god takes these people
humbles egypt and releases them from the
slavery of this very powerful dynasty

this empire
then takes them into the land of very
powerful people and displaces them and
then he doesn't stop there
this is to be a kingdom of priests
and so in this whole process of
developing these people into a godly
people a godly nation he takes their
sons
and he raises them up as prophets
as spokesman for the holy god of israel
so i and i did this and then i raised up
of your sons for prophets
and of your young men for nazirites
is it not even so
oh you children of israel isn't this
true
says yehovah
and here we can see an example of this
with the prophet samuel and all israel
from dan even to beersheba
knew
that samuel was established to be a
prophet of the lord so here's a son
of israel that god miraculously worked
through and everybody could see this is
clearly of god and samuel grew and the
lord was with him
and did let none of his words fall to
the ground everything that he spoke came
to pass
and all israel from dan even to
beersheba
knew that samuel was established to be a
prophet of the lord so mooses is the
original prophet he sort of lays down
the whole prophetic outline but now we
start to see god once they're released
and come into the promised land we see
god beginning to raise up these these
sons of israel as prophets but what did
israel do amos 2 and verse 12
but you gave the nazirites wine to drink
and we could look at the nazirite vow

where they were to they were not to
touch for the for the duration of their
vow they were not to touch wine or
anything from the grave
and yet they forced the nazirites to
drink wine and to violate their vow
and you commanded the prophets
saying
prophesy not
this is israel
these are the covenant people yes it's
the northern tribes who went after
jeroboam but they still had the covenant
and they still had the scriptures and
god raised up prophets from among them
and
instead of listening to these prophets
their position was we're better than the
prophets
and and we we don't want to hear what
the prophets have to say and and
you know
solomon says there's nothing new under
the sun so shouldn't be any surprise to
us today
if the people of the covenant don't want
to hear the prophecies that come with
the covenant
i would say that shouldn't be a surprise
solomon says there's nothing new
under the sun and so they pushed back
god raised up these prophets
to bless them and they pushed back
against it and said to the prophets
don't prophesy and we're going to
actually see that as we get into the
book of amos here
that they will tell amos directly don't
prophesy here go back to where you came
from we saw that last week but we'll go
we'll get there but here
in first kings 19 and verse 10
he said this is uh elijah another man a
young man that uh god raised up as the

sons of israel to become a prophet and
he said i have been very jealous for the
lord god of hosts
for the children of israel have forsaken
your covenant
thrown down your altars
and
it's not just that they're telling the
prophets we don't want to hear from you
there is such hostility to the prophetic
word
and they have slain your prophets with
the sword israel did this
this is what israel did
slain their own people their own
prophets with the sword
and i
uh elijah believed i even i only am left
and they seek my life
to take it away like this this is a very
thorough hatred they want to take to
remove any trace
of god
from their midst they've given
themselves completely to say this is
what between the lines they've given
themselves over to the devil with their
idolatry
and
we
as
the people of the first fruits people of
god today
we can't be so overconfident
to say well this would never happen in
the church when christ himself said
brother shall betray brother
so i think we do have to take this very
very carefully and consider it deeply
and and
consider our ways
in isaiah 30 and verse 10
we were we've been studying isaiah for
years but we saw it in chapter 30 and

verse 10 that this same israel
and in judah they say to the seers see
not
we don't want this
don't don't bother with that
we don't want to hear that we're very
sophisticated we're very modern people
and we like we believe in science or not
that we believe in science we believe in
scientists i don't believe in science we
just believe in scientists we're part of
this new cult and we don't want to hear
the word of god
which say to the seer see not
and to the prophets prophesy not unto us
right things speak unto us smooth things
you want to fit in
prophesy deceits
this is their message
in fact isaiah says in 28 and verse 1
god says through isaiah woe to the crown
of pride
to the drunkards of ephraim yeah you're
giving the prophets wine to drink and
now the whole nation is drunk and god
curses them for this
to the drunkards of ephraim whose
glorious beauty is a fading flower they
don't they don't see it they don't see
ever see a flower that's totally it's
beautiful
and then you come back and it's totally
wilted and useless you just throw it out
they don't they don't see and we don't
see today
the glory
of the western nations
is a fading flower it's over
and it's very painful to watch
especially no i think the most painful
of this
is the united states of america
i think this certainly has to be
the the single most uh painful drama to

watch
the decline of america
the single most powerful nation
the world has ever seen
the wealthiest nation
the world has ever seen
despite its corruption
the
most benevolent nation
the world has ever seen
and in just a matter of two short years
we have watched the accelerated decline
of this superpower and with it
the influence
of judeo-christian principles in the
world the whole world has abandoned the
bible
and is moving towards certainly the
western world is moving towards the
virtue
of communism
and this can only happen to a people who
don't know history
can only happen to a people who don't
know history the most superficial
analysis of communist history
would terrify anybody any sane person
and yet the western nations are
abandoning judeo-christian principles
in place of communist rhetoric even
christians
even brethren
are are being seduced by communist
rhetoric
the most murderous ideology
i i was going to say you know second
only to islam
but islam's murderous
fruit is over 1400 years
communist murderous fruit is over what
200 years
uh
it's it's mind-boggling
and yet this is where we're headed and

we're watching the decline of this
and i hope we're ready
especially those among us who thought
they could look to the their governments
to make the world a better place they
thought they could look to corrupt
government to make the world a better
place to to bring some sort of utopia
some sort of social justice utopia
to us
well we better be ready
i i think those of us who take the word
of god seriously
pray god we will face anything
we'll face anything we're not careful to
answer
because we understand
but those of us who who among us who
have been hoping
that corrupt men could bring utopia
get ready
so he says here
that this glorious beauty of ephraim is
a fading flower
which are on the head of the fat valleys
of them that are overcome with wine
there's a real problem of drunkenness
drunkenness and christ says in the end
time
there's going to be spiritual
drunkenness
that we're going to eat and drink with
the wicked and and turn
on each other
and this is what god is going to judge
so this is not just we shouldn't just
read this as ancient israel ancient
prophecy it doesn't really apply to us
today when we compare it to the very
prophecies of jesus christ about his own
church
it's all very relevant and amos just
gives us this kind of broad reach in
prophecy i think a lot of isaiah's

prophecies but in micah very specific
here we're sort of see like no one
escapes everything everybody is coming
under god's judgment
including the church and i think we need
a bit more fear of god
here in amos 2 and verse 13 we'll
continue god says behold
i am pressed under you this is the god
of israel he positions himself as under
israel i'm i'm just like i'm oppressed
by you
i'm pressed under you as a cart is
pressed that is full of sheaves and
again you know to us it's words on a
page but back then
uh
this is a really powerful metaphor where
you take a cart and you just fill it up
with the harvest and it can barely hold
there's just so much on it it's pushing
down on everything and maybe even the
cart could collapse as a result of the
weight of the sheaves and this is this
is the metaphor that god uses to say to
israel this is how you are pushed
pressing me
in isaiah 7 and verse 13 to show this
this weariness
god's experience he says
hear you now
oh house of david
is it a small thing for you to weary men
but will you weary my god also
so the same contention that isaiah had
with his his people the southern kingdom
of oppressing god with their just
wearing him out
amos is going to the north and saying
you're doing the same thing
you're doing the same thing
he says here amos 2 and verse 14
therefore the flight
shall perish from the swift

because of israel's corruption
because of their complete disregard
for their god
therefore
the flight shall perish from the swift
and the strong shall not strengthen his
force
neither shall the mighty deliver himself
when god moves
no one is going to escape
no one's going to escape it doesn't
matter how fast you are it doesn't
matter how strong you are whatever
you're looking at to say well you know
what i'm i'm pretty wealthy i think i
can get through this
or hey i'm complying with all the
government's demands and wishes i think
i can get through this in fact pastor
murray gave an excellent excellent
sermon on sabbath if you didn't if you
didn't catch it i would really encourage
you to go into the archive and take a
look at this sermon it was called for
such a time as this
and it was really um pointed to our
young people to say like a lot of us are
getting up in years
a lot of us are beginning to fade away
and we need to pass this baton on to the
next generation and maybe as you know
somewhat terrifying as everything seems
to be today at the same time what an
opportunity
and maybe our young people have come
into the faith and are coming into the
faith for such a time as this
but in that sermon
he really highlighted how mordecai had
to say to esther
don't think for a minute that you can
escape this
that you're a jew like the rest of us
and this hatred

is against all jews and you'll be found
out and you'll be destroyed in your
whole father's household will be
destroyed
on the other hand maybe you're here for
such a time as this but i think that
that really impacted me
because
i think some of us think
we can escape
some of the horrendous oppression
that is coming
if we comply
if we get along and go along if we're
wealthy enough that we think there's
some ticket out of this
there isn't
there isn't
the prophecy is clear
that all those who desire
to live godly in christ shall suffer
persecution that's where we're headed
we're heading into into a time of
complete
satanic domination
and with it complete hatred of anything
to do with christ
so don't think for a minute anybody
who wants to have the name of christ
upon them that we can navigate our way
around what's coming some of us are
going to go down sooner than others
but all of us are going to come under
this satanic condemnation
therefore let us not betray one another
therefore let us be faithful to christ
and faithful to each other because the
flight shall perish from the swift and
the strong shall not strengthen his
force neither shall the mighty deliver
himself no one is going to escape this
judgment
god god is giving satan complete uh
complete

leeway and latitude over his own people
neither shall he stand
that handles the ball so you can be a
great fantastic warrior it doesn't
matter it's irrelevant
and he that is swift of foot shall not
deliver himself neither shall he that
rides the horse deliver himself so again
you know these are ancient texts ancient
prophecies
but we can just understand the
the mindset
of god how he evaluates his own people
why he judges them and the comprehensive
extent of the judgment we just update it
with uh with more modern language today
to say you know it doesn't matter how
wealthy you are it doesn't matter how
compliant you are it doesn't matter if
you live in the country and you're going
to move from the city and live in the
country
that this judgment that's coming is
going to be thorough
and unless we wholeheartedly repent
there's no escaping us
and even if we do repent we may still
have to face the physical consequences
of the nations that we live in the
judgment of the nations that we live in
we as spirit-born christians
spirit-filled christians because
begotten christians sorry may still have
to face this but it's okay we understand
if in this life only
we have hope in christ we are all men
most miserable but we know our hope is
not just in this life
so he goes on in verse 16
and he that is courageous among the
mighty shall flee away naked in that day
says the lord so a lot of talk
let's skip the talk
and deal with just how serious god is

and have a lot more fear of god
god we're going to read later with amos
where he says like why why are you
looking forward to the day of the lord
why what is it to you
and so again we need this humility
and this fear of god
chapter 3 verse 1
hear this word
that the lord jehovah has spoken against
you against you
o children of israel so amos is now
coming into the northern tribes and
saying listen
god has a controversy with you
and he's spoken this word
against you o children of israel
and he says
against the whole family which i brought
up from the land of egypt so we saw that
he said that like you should be amazed
that i brought you up from the land of
egypt and then gave you the land of the
canaanites
and who the whole family
so this judgment is on the northern
tribes
amos is from the south
but he's saying this judgment is upon
the whole family i'm not saying hey i'm
a jew and i'm superior to you
i'm saying no judah is under under
condemnation but i was raised up to
deliver this message to you in the north
but the whole family
is under condemnation and you
israel are being condemned
because you've you you are
cannibalizing your own people
you've turned on your own people and
we're a family this is the covenant
family
and look what you're doing to each other
and so the whole family

god is against the whole family and then
he says this
so it's the whole family
so who did he bring up from the land of
egypt today brought up all 12 tribes and
this is who the judgment is against
although amos is sent specifically to
the north isaiah was sent and micah was
sent to the south
then god says this
you only
have i known
of all the families of the earth
this is fascinating i think it's a
scripture we we
quite know to show the exclusivity
of god's relationship with human beings
that if you are not
from israel
or you're not grafted into israel
god doesn't know you
god doesn't know anybody outside of
israel in fact this puts paid to the
entire islamic narrative
so muhammad's message in the quran and
all of that and the the arabic
replacement of the covenant people this
puts paid
because the the book opens
with all the muslim tribes today all
those muslim people
that apparently had this relationship
with god
that the quran wants us somehow to
acknowledge
and all these nations that today are all
islamic nations
god condemns them all
condemns judah
condemns israel but then makes it clear
that he only has an intimate
relationship with israel and judah
with the with the tribes that came up
out of egypt and everybody else he

doesn't know them
so this this verse just destroys
the islamic narrative
you only
have i known this intimate
intercourse
of all the families of the earth
therefore
i will punish you for all your
iniquities
you know the covenant made it clear
you said yes all that the lord has said
we will do
and you did the opposite
and therefore you have activated
all of this was accounted for the
covenant actually says if you obey
you'll be blessed in this way or these
ways but if you choose to disobey you'll
be cursed in these ways so disobeying
doesn't break god's covenant
yeah you've broken your part it doesn't
break god's part
when god covenants he covenants forever
and so all this does now is it activates
the covenant clauses so these
punishments that we're about to read
in amos they're not brand new god didn't
have to say okay what do i do now moses
already laid it out and amos is just
going to give it to israel in more
detail in high definition
he says now
can two walk together
except they be agreed
like this is common sense
and so we started to walk together
because we were in agreement
but you you you gave the prophet's wine
to drink
you said to the prophets and to the seer
see not prophesy not you didn't want to
hear my word
and so now you've turned away so how can

we continue to walk together so a very
very good principle here we often think
of this in marriage
that you know marriages that go astray
it's because they stopped agreeing and
so this is why we want christ as the
foundation
of marriage that if the husband is
committed to christ and the wife is
committed to christ then they can be
committed to each other and agree
for life
and no matter what life throws us
we are agreed for life
we're agreed in this marriage covenant
so can two walk together except they be
agreed israel has departed out of the
way
and so now is god saying okay
you've activated the curses
here's here's the curse
will a lion roar in the forest
when he has no prey you've activated the
lion
the the lion is embedded in the covenant
and you triggered the lion
and so now we hear the lion roaring
will a lion roar in the forest
this is a rhetorical question but it's a
common sense if you hear a lion warren
he's found something he's going after
something
and so will a lion roar in the forest
when he has no prey is it does he just
roar for a sport
or does he roar to paralyze
and and inflict fear into the prey as he
prepares to take it down
will a young lion cry out of his den
if he's taken nothing
can a bird fall in a snare upon the
earth
when no trap is for him
shall one take up a snare from the earth

and have taken nothing at all and here
christ warns us for as a snare it shall
come on all them that dwell on the face
of the whole earth this the trap is set
and unfortunately even god's own people
are going to get drunk
and caught up with the affairs of this
life and not realize the snare
is about to snap
and it's going to catch its prey
amos says
shall a trumpet be blown in fact in amos
what the very beginning of the the book
let's just quickly see that actually
uh amos 1
he says
he said the lord will roar from zion and
utter his voice from jerusalem
so
god is furious
he is furious
and he is roared
and he is roaring what's in the covenant
the curse is in the covenant
trump would be blown in the city
and the people not be afraid
so the same way that when the lion roar
the prairie the prey is terrified and
the lion then proceeds to take it down
well when the trumpet is blown in the
city shouldn't the people be afraid
shall there be evil in a city
and the lord has not done it
so we know that god raises up kings and
takes down gains and he's very involved
and again as we are witnessing
the
dramatic
we have front row seats
to the dramatic collapse of america and
i think many of us didn't understand
the implications what does it mean
when america becomes communist
is this a good thing many of us didn't

don't know don't understand
many of us have supported and chanted to
support our support
of the decline of america okay
all right
let's see what it means
we're gonna get front row seats but
it's part of god's plan
this current administration
however it got into office
apparently
this is because this man
is the most popular president
that the nation has ever had
that it was just a landslide victory
due to just just tremendous support
i think 90 million people just like wow
this is the greatest man ever
after they said that about the pre uh
president obama he was like some kind of
messiah but this president even better
even greater
however it is whether it was through
fraud or legitimately it doesn't matter
god raises up kings and takes down kings
and he says here
shall there be evil in a city
and jehovah hasn't done it
and isaiah says here
i am 45 7 i form the light
and create darkness
i make peace
and create evil
i jojoba
do all these things
and that create evil it doesn't mean
that god is evil that he's like satan
it means calamity
it means
if you break the covenant
then i will activate the curses in the
covenant and i have done these things
and so can there be evilness can there
be calamity in a city america's borders

are wide open
can that happen
the most powerful nation in the world
has ever seen
can we watch the collapse of this
nation
and the lord hasn't done it
the most powerful empire on the planet
ever
and now we're watching its collapse does
this mean god has absolutely nothing to
do with it
that god is unaware of how powerful
america became
and he's unaware that it's collapsing
and when it collapses it has significant
implications in the middle east
specifically for judah
shall there be evil in a country
and the lord hasn't done it god says i
create calamity
and we're heading into calamity as these
terror moving into the country as the
communists are taking over every aspect
of society and not just america forget
canada
forget canada many of us don't realize
how socialist how communist canada has
become
and the the government overreach that
we're going to be experiencing here
get ready
we better buckle down and know what we
believe
amos 3 and verse 7.
surely
amos says surely without a doubt
the lord god will do nothing
but he reveals his secret unto his
servants the prophet so do nothing
what what is he going to do he's going
to do evil what the king james
translates as evil calamity
there will be no calamity

upon god's own people
but that he will reveal
this mysterious working of what he is
doing
he'll reveal it to the prophets he has
revealed it to the prophets
and then those of us today
who are faithful
teachers of god's word
we're going to dig into what the
prophetic word says we're going to give
that prophetic word to god's people even
if god's people don't want it
even if god's people say like don't you
have anything smooth for us today
i'll say i'll take a look
give me a moment and let me dig in i'm
not going to give you my word
but let me see if i can find something
smooth
that amos has to say and if i find it
i'll give it to you
and if i find something smooth from
isaiah
or obadiah
or micah
i'll i'll give you that
but you know what it's not too smooth
right now
i'm afraid i just have to give you
faithfully what what they have been what
has been revealed to them
and what is that calamity
calamity
what this administration is doing to
america has global implications
it has implications for christians
globally for brethren globally and
especially for the tribe of judah in the
middle east
and all i can tell you is calamity
now we're gonna have to get through
eight chapters
of calamity

in detail
and we have to digest it because it's
the word of god
before we get to chapter nine
when we're gonna see oh wait a minute
he's re he's doing something here
and the calamity is not the end of the
story
it's really a stepping stone to the
conclusion
but we have to accept it
because god doesn't do anything
except he makes it plain to his prophets
and then those of us who will dig and
see what did the prophets have to say we
in fact daniel says
because he there's this aversion
to the prophetic word which is just the
nature of of israel
daniel says speaking of the end time
the wise
will understand he says the wicked will
not understand
but the wise will understand
so there's going to be this calamity
everywhere it's going to be very
confusing
and the wicked won't understand
but the only way we can understand is if
we are studying the secret
that has been revealed to the prophets
and then as everything is carried is
coming down and everybody is is
panicking
those of us
who are following his servants the
prophets
will be able to say it's okay this isn't
the end
this is this is just a temporary
hiccup
no these people will not ultimately be
successful
know all of the wealth that they're

gathering is going to be transferred
to the people of god
the wise will understand because of the
prophetic word because god is making it
plain through the prophets what it is
he's doing he says the lion has roared
who will not fear
where's the
there's some arrogance here and some
overconfidence
the lion has roared who dares not fear
the lord god has spoken
who can but prophesy paul says woe unto
me
if i preach not the gospel i have no
choice the gospel has been given to me i
have to preach it woe unto me if i
preach not the gospel and woe unto us
anybody who wants to call ourselves
elder minister pastor woe unto us if we
preach not the gospel
the lion has roared who will not fear
the lord god has spoken who can but
prophesy
and here again mentioned in amos 1 and
verse 2 god has roared from zion
the very zion that actually is under
judgment
but he's coming to establish his throne
in zion and he's going to roar from
there and his voice from jerusalem
amos 3 and verse 9 he says
publish in the palaces that ashdod
being part of the surrounding gentile
nations
this
knowledge
this this knowledge of what is in the
war
the calamity that's in the roar of the
lion
this secret
that he's revealed to the prophets
take it

and don't keep it secret
in fact publish it to the gentiles
go to the palaces at ashdod and tell
them there what the lord god is doing
publish in the palaces of ashdod and in
the palaces in the land of egypt enemies
of israel
go to the enemies of israel
and tell them what the lord god is about
to do to israel
make it known
the absolute humiliation
and destruction that's about to come
upon his people but tell tell their
enemies
published in the palaces at ashdod and
in the palaces in the land of egypt and
say assemble yourselves upon the
mountains of sumeria come and gather
upon the mountains of israel
and behold the great tumults in the
midst thereof look at the confusion and
the chaos
and the oppressed in the midst thereof
it's like today we would say
um publish to all the enemies
of the western nations
to tune in
and have front row seats
to the collapse and the destruction
of these once powerful nations and
specifically and sorry for my american
brethren specifically your nation
that this nation that in a sense was the
policeman of the world
and and imposed
a sort of human rights uh philosophy and
approach
based on judeo-christian principles and
that every human being had inalienable
rights because they were created in the
image and likeness of god that
that ethic
was imposed upon the world

because of the power of this nation
now you nations that were subjected to
this power gather around
pull up a chair
you you will have front row seats to the
collapse and the destruction
of these people who once
claimed that god was their god
claim that the covenant mattered
so publish it now in these gentiles
again these are muslim nations
and say assemble yourselves upon the
mountains of samaria and behold the
great tumult in the midst thereof and
the oppressed in the midst thereof so
there's all this confusion in there but
also notice
these people oppress their own people
look what they do to their own people
this is why i'm punishing them this is
what he says in amos chapter two
israel you're coming unto judgment
these other nations i'm judging for
their cruelty
of how they treated other nations
but israel i'm judging you for the
cruelty and the oppression of your own
people how you turned on your own people
so now gentiles come and see the
oppression within samaria
for they know not to do right
says the lord
who store up violence and robbery in
their palaces so publish this in the
palaces of the gentiles
because israel doesn't know how to do
right
and and they're going to pass these
these you know
laws and legislation
and bills
that are just storing up violence and
robbery they're just making themselves
they're just enriching themselves

in their palaces so if you were to break
into their government palaces and see
all of these trillions that they're
dealing with they're just lining their
own bank accounts
therefore thus says the lord god
an adversary
there shall be
even round about the land so so this
because of this
filthy nastiness and evil oppression
within
samaria within the northern tribes
therefore what what is going to do the
lion has roared and him he's made his
secret known to the prophets well what
is it he's going to do what is this
calamity that he's going to bring upon
his people
an adversary
there shall be
even round about the land
so god is going to bring an adversary to
surround them
and he shall bring down your strength
from you and your palaces shall be
spoiled so if we uh
cross-reference isaiah when he was
prophesying to judah he also prophesied
israel
and warned them that assyria would
destroy them and warn judah look what
happened to assyria this is going to
happen what happened to israel this will
happen to you as well so this
adversarial nation we know is assyria
and it's going to destroy
these people
thus says the lord god
as the shepherd
takes out of the mouth
of the lion
two legs
or a piece of an ear

so so the shepherd is going to go after
the lion and retrieve
his his sheep and now he sees just two
legs it's too late
a piece of veneer
so shall the children of israel
be taken out
that dwell in samaria in the corner of a
bed
and in damascus in a couch these are the
elite they're doing very well they're
they're very very happy
the economy is doing very well for them
not so well for the for the poor
so they're sort of this two-tier system
but god is saying
i'm going to be like a lion i'm going to
raise up an adversarial nation i'm going
to tear these people apart
this is real wrath
that god has upon these people
hear you
and testify in the house of jacob
take this message
and tell it to the people of jacob
says the lord god the god of hosts the
god of armies now normally we would
think
the lord god
the god of hosts the god of armies
and when we think of that in the context
of god is coming to save his people
think of that in sort of zechariah 12
where he he comes down from heaven as
the lord of hosts
to to to do battle against the
adversarial nations and to deliver his
people
but here through amos
he's known as the god of hosts to do
battle against israel
not to deliver israel to destroy israel
this is the god of hosts this is this is
jesus christ he's coming to destroy

his own people his own covenant people
so tell tell the house of jacob that the
god of armies is coming to destroy them
their god of armies and and publish this
to the surrounding gentile nations and
tell them to pull up a chair and watch
this
because the oppression is beyond the
pale
that in the day
that i shall visit
the transgressions of israel
upon him i will also get the altars of
bethel
so
remember jeroboam
when the kingdom split reborn in the
south kept the the tribes of judah
simeon
benjamin and levi
most of liba and then in the north the
other tribes they went after jeroboam
and then jeroboam immediately
developed a
a counterfeit religion
and set up altars and places of worship
in dan and bethel so that
the northern tribes wouldn't go back to
jerusalem and run and he would run the
risk of them returning
to the
the king of judah so he set up these
this counterfeit religion and that was
the the end
of of israel they they all the kings
then held on to that
to hold on to the people
and so
in that day that i shall visit the
transgressions of israel upon him i will
also visit the altars of bethel so
clearly there's a relationship
religious ideology
and behavior

and all of this transgression is going
to be rooted in false religion and
idolatry
no different today
no different today and no different for
the church from for the church that once
the church starts entertaining idolatry
once the church turns its back on christ
and replaces christ with the state
then
transgression is going to follow
we have to be faithful to christ
we have to have the right ideology the
right doctrine
otherwise
we're no different we're just people
these are people who are people there's
no difference
i should say there's no the difference
really is
if unless we if we quench the holy
spirit there's no difference
but we should be able to stir up the
spirit constantly and not neglect
this salvation which is within us
so here he says
you'll also visit the altars of bethel
and the horns of the altar shall be cut
off and fall to the ground god has had
it
and they're going to see that this
religious worship that they adopted this
vein
just as those of us
in the covenant today as first fruits if
we adopt statism
we're going to see that that's vain and
god is going to cut off as powerful as
these horns of the altar were and
everybody was assembling around and
seemed like such high priests the whole
religious ceremony around it it all
collapsed
and then he says

and i will smite the winter house
with the summer house
and the houses of ivory shall perish
and the great houses shall have an end
says the lord and again just in this one
verse
we can see
while there may have been economic
hardship
in in the northern
uh
tribes in in in the north
um
not everybody was suffering economic
economic hardship
uh just as we see today
you know we see this past two years
since march 2020 when these lockdowns
began
and then a lot of people lost their
livelihoods they've lost their
businesses they've lost their dignity
they've really suffered
but i'll tell you
this has been a time of incredible
wealth
this has been a bonanza
in the last 20 months more billionaires
have been created than another to any
other time in history
people are breaking in the money just
it's crazy
and they have their summer houses and
their winter houses and and wealth is
there's wealth you know i used to think
when economies collapsed
the wealth disappeared
it doesn't disappear
it just concentrates
and so here we see the elite
they had their wealth
they had their winter houses
and they had their summer houses so it's
winter oh it's time to go to a different

location where it's sunny and warm and
then i'll go back in the summer so god
says i'm going to destroy your winter
house and your summer house
and the houses of ivory shall perish
and the great houses shall have an end
says jehovah
and he does nothing
without first
his secret to the prophets so that is uh
takes us up to the end of chapter three
god willing we'll continue next week
with chapter four uh thank you so much
for uh following and let's continue to
pray for one another uh let's look out
for one another let's remain faithful to
jesus christ
because he is faithful to his covenant
jesus christ is lord god bless you
brethren
you