

HOPE SABBATH SCHOOL

Major Lessons from Minor Prophets – Part 4

LORD of All Nations (Amos)

Welcome to Hope Sabbath School--an in-depth interactive study of the Word of God. Today we are continuing a series of studies entitled Seek the LORD and Live! –Major Lessons from Minor Prophets. Our topic today: LORD of All Nations (Amos “Burden Bearer” 8th century BC)

Scripture Song: “Seek the LORD while He may be found” – Isaiah 55:6-7

Prayer

- 1) Setting
 - a) What lesson can we learn from the fact that the LORD calls a shepherd, Amos, to become a prophet? Amos 1:1
 - b) Why do people need to hear a word from the LORD during a time of prosperity?
- 2) Judgments from the LORD
 - a) Against the surrounding nations - Amos 1:3-2:3
 - b) Against Judah – Amos 2:4-5
 - c) Against Israel – Amos 2:6-8
 - d) What does Paul tell us in Rom. 3:10? Rom. 3:23
 - e) What reproof might the LORD give to His professed people today?
- 3) Why does it matter to God how we treat each other?
 - a) Isaiah 58:6-7
 - b) Matthew 5:43-48
 - c) John 13:34-35
 - d) Matthew 25:31-40
 - e) Share a time when someone showed the love of God to you during a time of great need.
- 4) The privileges and responsibilities that come with knowing God
 - a) Amos 3:7 – God speaks
 - b) Amos 3:9-10 - we need to speak
 - c) Matthew 10:5-8; Matthew 28:18-19
 - d) What promises of God bring encouragement as you consider the responsibilities that come with knowing God?
 - i) Matt 28:20
 - ii) Deut 31:6
 - iii) Psalm 32:8
 - e) What blessings come when we share the truth about God with others?
 - f) Why is spiritual pride so toxic? Why is it important to stay humble before God?
- 5) Prepare to meet your God
 - a) Amos 4:12
 - b) That announcement evokes varied reactions from different people. Some are afraid, while others rejoice. See Isaiah 25:8-9, Rev 6:14-17.
 - c) How do you respond to the call, “Prepare to meet your God?”
 - d) What are some practical ways that we help others prepare to meet God?
- 6) How has the message of Amos impacted you today?