Amos 1:1-15 Judgment of the Nations

Time of the messages of Amos

- 1 The words of Amos, who was among the sheep breeders of Tekoa, which he saw concerning Israel in the days of Uzziah king of Judah, and in the days of Jeroboam the son of Joash, king of Israel, two years before the earthquake.
- 2 And he said:
- "Yahweh (The Lord) roars from Zion, And utters His voice from Jerusalem; The pastures of the shepherds mourn, And the top of Carmel withers."

Judgment on the surrounding Nations

- 3 Thus says Yahweh (The Lord):
- "For three transgressions of Damascus, and for four, I will not turn away its punishment, Because they have threshed Gilead with implements of iron.
- 4 But I will send a fire into the house of Hazael, Which shall devour the palaces of Ben-Hadad.
- ⁵ I will also break the gate bar of Damascus, And cut off the inhabitant from the Valley of Aven, And the one who holds the scepter from Beth Eden. The people of Syria shall go captive to Kir," Says the Lord.
- 6 Thus says Yahweh (The Lord):
- "For three transgressions of Gaza, and for four, I will not turn away its punishment, Because they took captive the whole captivity To deliver them up to Edom.
- ⁷ But I will send a fire upon the wall of Gaza, Which shall devour its palaces.
- 8 I will cut off the inhabitant from Ashdod, And the one who holds the scepter from Ashkelon; I will turn My hand against Ekron, And the remnant of the Philistines shall perish, "Says Adoney Yahweh (The Lord God.)
- 9 Thus says Yahweh (The Lord):
- "For three transgressions of Tyre, and for four, I will not turn away its punishment, Because they delivered up the whole captivity to Edom, And did not remember the covenant of brotherhood.

 10 But I will send a fire upon the wall of Tyre, Which shall devour its palaces."
- 11 Thus says Yahweh (The Lord):
- "For three transgressions of Edom, and for four, I will not turn away its punishment, Because he pursued his brother with the sword, And cast off all pity; His anger tore perpetually, And he kept his wrath forever.
- 12 But I will send a fire upon Teman, Which shall devour the palaces of Bozrah."
- 13 Thus says Yahweh (The Lord):
- "For three transgressions of the people of Ammon, and for four, I will not turn away its punishment, Because they ripped open the women with child in Gilead, That they might enlarge their territory.
- 14 But I will kindle a fire in the wall of Rabbah, And it shall devour its palaces, Amid shouting in the day of battle, And a tempest in the day of the whirlwind.
- 15 Their king shall go into captivity, He and his princes together," Says Yahweh (The Lord). NKJV

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- ♦ Uzziah was king of Judah during the last 14 years of Jeroboam king of Israel.
- ♦ The prophets at that time were Amos, Jonah, Hosea, and Isaiah.
- ♦ It seems that the prophetic ministry of Amos preceded that of Isaiah.
- ❖ Their messages were at the time of the same kings of Judah and Israel, their messages are very similar from the coming judgment against Israel and Judah to the Day of The Lord, and on to the Restoration of Israel in the Kingdom age when Yahweh will be ruling the world from Zion and Jerusalem.
- ♦ The immediate message is of coming desolation of the land of Israel. Judgment on the surrounding Nations [Amos 1:3-15]
 - ♦ **Damascus**, the capital city of Syria will be punished because of their violence against the land of Gilead (The land of the tribes of Israel east of the Jordan River). [Amos 1:3-5]
 - ♦ Gaza the land of the Philistines who betrayed the people of Israel to the Edomites when Yahweh sent Israel into captivity removing them from their land. [Amos 1:5-8] The people of Gaza are still a problem to the people of Israel today.
 - **Tyre,** who also betrayed the people of Israel to the Edomites when Yahweh punished Israel and removed them from their land. [Amos 1:9-10]
 - **Edom**, Because he pursued his brother with the sword, And cast off all pity; His anger tore perpetually, And he kept his wrath forever. [Amos 1:11-12]
 - ♦ **Ammon,** Because they ripped open the women with child in Gilead, That they might enlarge their territory. [Amos 1:13-15]