

Amos: Back to the Beginning
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EVERYONE Answers to God.

<u>NATION</u>	<u>GOD’S CHARGE</u>
Damascus (1:3-5)	Extreme <u>CRUELTY</u> .
Gaza (1:6-8)	Treat People as <u>COMMODITY</u> .
Tyre (1:7-10)	Don’t Keep Your <u>WORD</u> .
Edom (1:11-12)	No <u>MERCY</u> .
Ammon (1:13-15)	<u>ROB</u> Future generations to <u>REWARD</u> Current generations.
Moab (2:1-3)	Disregard <u>SACRED</u> For personal gain.

God’s Charge against Judah: _____ God.

⁴ This is what the LORD says: “For three sins of Judah, even for four, I will not relent.” Because they have rejected the law of the Lord and have not kept his decrees, because they have been led astray by false gods, the gods their ancestors followed. Amos 2:4

◆ _____ **LEADS TO** _____
WHICH LEADS TO _____.

◆ _____ **OF ONE GENERATION BECOME**
THE _____ OF THE NEXT GENERATION.

God’s Charge against Israel: Rampant _____.

⁶ This is what the LORD says: “For three sins of Israel, even for four, I will not relent.” Amos 2:6a

(A) _____.

⁶ . . . They sell the innocent for silver, and the needy for a pair of sandals.
 Amos 2:6b (cp. Leviticus 25:39-41)

(B) _____ **The Poor.**

⁷ They trample on the heads of the poor as on the dust of the ground and deny justice to the oppressed. Amos 2:7a

(C) _____ **Immorality.**

⁷ . . . Father and son use the same girl and so profane my holy name.
 Amos 2:7b

(D) _____.

⁸ They lie down beside every altar on garments taken in pledge.
 Amos 2:8a
 (see: Exodus 22:26-27; Deuteronomy 24:13)

(E) _____.

⁸ . . . In the house of their god they drink wine taken as fines. Amos 2:8b

◆ **TO COMBAT** _____,

WE MUST BE DAILY REMINDED OF _____.

⁹ “Yet I destroyed the Amorites before them, though they were tall as the cedars and strong as the oaks. I destroyed their fruit above and their roots below. ¹⁰ I brought you up out of Egypt and led you forty years in the wilderness to give you the land of the Amorites. ¹¹ I also raised up prophets from among your children and Nazarites from among your youths. Is this not true, people of Israel?” Declares the LORD.

Amos 2:9-11 (cp. Romans 12:2)

◆ **WHAT PEOPLE** _____ **THEY** _____.

¹² But you made the Nazarites drink wine and commanded the prophets not to prophesy. Amos 2:12

(F) _____ **People of God.**

¹² But you made the Nazarites drink wine. . . .

(G) _____ **The Word of God.**

¹² . . . commanded the prophets not to prophesy.

There is a _____ To What God will Tolerate.

Behold, I am weighted down beneath you; As a wagon is weighted down when filled with sheaves. Amos 2:13 (NASB1995)

¹⁴ The swift will not escape, the strong will not muster their strength, and the warrior will not save his life. ¹⁵ The archer will not stand his ground, the fleet-footed soldier will not get away, and the horseman will not save his life. ¹⁶ Even the bravest warriors will flee naked on that day. Declares the LORD. Amos 2:14-16

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