

AMOS 8 vs 1

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¹ **Thus has the Lord GOD showed me** / the Good Teacher was giving Amos another lesson:

Behold / pay attention,

a basket of summer fruit / a basket of ripe, fully grown fruit.

² **And He said, Amos, what do you see?** / again, the Lord God wants to know Amos is looking at the same thing.

And I said, a basket of summer fruit.

Then said the LORD to me,

The end is come on My people Israel / **isra** = **ruled** + **EI** = **God**, those who claim His name;

I will no longer pass by them / to spare them... **anymore**:

³ **and the songs of the temple will become howling in that day, said the Lord GOD:**

many dead bodies throw everywhere! Silence! / said differently: there will be no thanksgiving celebration for this harvest; and some might wonder: Where is the loving, compassionate, merciful God? Where He always is, seated on His throne, patiently waiting for the few who follow Him.

⁴ **Hear this, you who trample the needy, to make the poor of the earth to fail,**

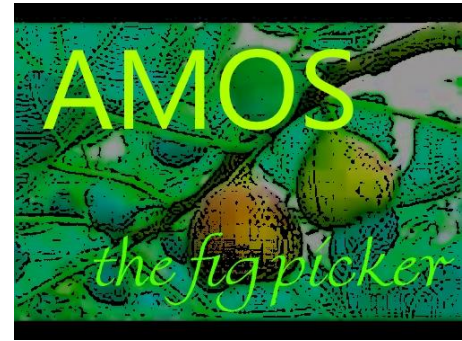
⁵ **Saying, When will the new moon be over, that we can sell grain?** / when will the inconvenient annual Ingathering Festival be over... so we can get back to sell stuff and make money?

and the sabbath / established by our Creator in the days of Adam, when will the weekly Friday evening to Saturday evening be over so we can trade our things?

that we can sell wheat, making the ephah small, and the shekel great, falsifying the scales by deceit? / reducing the portion while increasing the price; the whole country was a bunch of duplicitous, deceiving cheats, tampering with the scales, like in our country, as a stagnant economy is taken over by thieves and robbers, and lawless criminals... clothed in very chic, very stylish sheep's clothing.

⁶ **That we can buy the poor with silver, and the needy for a pair of shoes** / the greedy wealthy, the filthy rich; the perverted pedophile crowd, purchasing and abusing the poor; the covetous global business strategy in every generation, acquiring wealth at the expense of enslaving others, always the poor; no different than what we see happening today in our godless society, so many think they will get away with it, won't they be surprised;

even selling the refuse of the wheat / they'll sell the chaff of the husk; anything to make a buck.



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⁷ **The LORD has sworn by the arrogance of Jacob surely, I will not forget all of your deeds /** He promises the scoundrel and the scheming cheats He has a good memory; Moses reminds us: the Lord God especially loves to care for and benefit: the widow, the orphan, the foreigner, and the poor; Jesus the Messiah said, what we do to the least, we do to Him. Moses told the people: if you will not serve the Lord with joyfulness and gladness of heart for all the abundance He provides; He will send their enemies, and they will serve them, until He destroys you; those who do not love God, He will repay to their face.

⁸ **Won't the land tremble because of this, and all who dwell in it mourn?**

All of it will rise like a flood, it will surge and subside like the Nile in Egypt / the end will surge and be as complete as Noah's flood.

⁹ **And in that day it will happen says the Lord GOD /** on the day when judgment comes quickly:

I will cause the sun to go down at noon, I will darken the earth in the daytime:

¹⁰ **I will turn your feasts to mourning, and all your songs to laments /** loud crying; **I will cover your loins /** the precious vital parts of the filthy rich and perverse... **in sackcloth, and cause every head to be shaved;**

I will make that grief... like mourning for an only son, and its outcome like a bitter day / and this happened when Assyria took Israel to captivity; but it is also fair warning for our generation, too. After all, where did the 10 tribes of Israel go and increase and become both the great commonwealth of nations, and the great nation... in the last days?

¹¹ **Behold the days come /** pay attention, there are 3 Days of the Lord still to come,

said the Lord GOD, that I will send a famine in the land, not a famine of bread, or a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the LORD / I am confident... those days are near:

¹² **they will stagger from sea to sea, and from the north even to the east, they will roam seeking the word of the LORD, but will not find it /** The Lord said, **many pastors have destroyed My vineyard – Jeremiah 12.**

¹³ **In that day, the beautiful young women and young men will faint from thirst of the word.**

¹⁴ **Those who pompously swear by “the sin of Samaria”... and say goofy stuff like,**

“Your god, O Dan, lives” and, “The manner of Beersheba lives” / clearly like what we hear: **“Hooray for Hollywood”**

they... will fall, and never rise again.

And can't you hear all heaven rejoice?