Amos

Minor Prophets—Old Testament

**Author:** Amos

**When It Happened:** 808 BC

**Chapters:** 9

**Key People:** Amos, People of Israel

**Summary:** The prophet Amos was a simple shepherd called by God to speak to the northern kingdom of Israel. The people of Israel had fallen into great sinfulness including idolatry, greed, bad leadership, and injustice to the poor. Amos’ message warned of God’s coming judgment, but the people ignored the warning. And after many years, God judged Israel. But as always, the promise of restoration was also given. Amos told of God’s forgiveness and grace to all who would repent.

**About God:** God is patient with sinners, but He will finally judge them for their disobedience to Him. And He is always willing to pardon those who repent and place their trust in Jesus.