

Study Guide on Amos 2:4-16

New American Standard Bible

Assign each person in the class one or more verses to study.
Each person should answer these two questions on their assigned verse.

1. What does this verse say?
2. What does this verse mean to me?
3. Discuss your answers with the class.

Amos 2:4-16

(Amos 2:4) Thus says the LORD, “For three transgressions of Judah and for four I will not revoke its punishment, Because they rejected the law of the LORD And have not kept His statutes; Their lies also have led them astray, Those after which their fathers walked.

(Amos 2:5) “So I will send fire upon Judah, And it will consume the citadels of Jerusalem.”

(Amos 2:6) Thus says the LORD, “For three transgressions of Israel and for four I will not revoke its punishment, Because they sell the righteous for money And the needy for a pair of sandals.

(Amos 2:7) “These who pant after the very dust of the earth on the head of the helpless Also turn aside the way of the humble; And a man and his father resort to the same girl In order to profane My holy name.

(Amos 2:8) “On garments taken as pledges they stretch out beside every altar, And in the house of their God they drink the wine of those who have been fined.

(Amos 2:9) “Yet it was I who destroyed the Amorite before them, Though his height was like the height of cedars And he was strong as the oaks; I even destroyed his fruit above and his root below.

(Amos 2:10) “It was I who brought you up from the land of Egypt, And I led you in the wilderness forty years That you might take possession of the land of the Amorite.

(Amos 2:11) “Then I raised up some of your sons to be prophets And some of your young men to be Nazirites. Is this not so, O sons of Israel?” declares the LORD.

(Amos 2:12) “But you made the Nazirites drink wine, And you commanded the prophets saying, 'You shall not prophesy!'”

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

(Amos 2:14) “Flight will perish from the swift, And the stalwart will not strengthen his power, Nor the mighty man save his life.

(Amos 2:15) “He who grasps the bow will not stand his ground, The swift of foot will not escape, Nor will he who rides the horse save his life.

(Amos 2:16) “Even the bravest among the warriors will flee naked in that day,” declares the LORD.

Write the verse or verses you have been assigned in the space below:

Answer These Questions for Class Discussion or Study

1. What does the verse say?
2. What does the verse mean to me?