

Amos Lesson 2

Exodus 19:3-6

3 Moses went up to God, and the Lord called to him from the mountain, saying,
 “Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob and tell the sons of Israel:
 4 ‘You yourselves have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and *how* I bore you on
 eagles’ wings, and brought you to Myself.
 5 ‘Now then, if you will indeed obey My voice and keep My covenant, then you
 shall be My own possession among all the peoples, for all the earth is Mine;
 6 and you shall be to Me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.’ These are the
 words that you shall speak to the sons of Israel.”

Ephesians 1:3-6

3 Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with
 every spiritual blessing in the heavenly *places* in Christ,
 4 just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we would be
 holy and blameless before Him. In love
 5 He predestined us to adoption as sons through Jesus Christ to Himself,
 according to the kind intention of His will,
 6 to the praise of the glory of His grace, which He freely bestowed on us in the
 Beloved.

Hosea 5:8-14

8 Blow the horn in Gibeah,
 The trumpet in Ramah.
 Sound an alarm at Beth-aven:
 “Behind you, Benjamin!”
 9 Ephraim will become a desolation in the day of rebuke;
 Among the tribes of Israel I declare what is sure.
 10 The princes of Judah have become like those who move a
 boundary;
 On them I will pour out My wrath like water.
 11 Ephraim is oppressed, crushed in judgment,
 Because he was determined to follow *man’s* command.
 12 Therefore I am like a moth to Ephraim
 And like rottenness to the house of Judah.
 13 When Ephraim saw his sickness,
 And Judah his wound,
 Then Ephraim went to Assyria
 And sent to ^bKing Jareb.
 But he is unable to heal you,
 Or to cure you of your wound.
 14 For I *will be* like a lion to Ephraim

And like a young lion to the house of Judah.
 I, even I, will tear to pieces and go away,
 I will carry away, and there will be none to deliver.

Hosea 13:4-9

4 Yet I *have been* the Lord your God
 Since the land of Egypt;
 And you were not to know any god except Me,
 For there is no savior besides Me.
 5 I ^acared for you in the wilderness,
 In the land of drought.
 6 As *they had* their pasture, they became satisfied,
 And being satisfied, their heart became proud;
 Therefore they forgot Me.
 7 So I will be like a lion to them;
 Like a leopard I will lie in wait by the wayside.
 8 I will encounter them like a bear robbed of her cubs,
 And I will tear open their chests;
 There I will also devour them like a lioness,
 As a wild beast would tear them.
 9 *It is* your destruction, O Israel,
 That *you are* against Me, against your help.

Genesis 12:8

8 Then he proceeded from there to the mountain on the east of Bethel, and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east; and there he built an altar to the Lord and called upon the name of the Lord.

Genesis 35:10-15

10 God said to him,
 "Your name is Jacob;
 You shall no longer be called Jacob,
 But Israel shall be your name."
 Thus He called him Israel.
 11 God also said to him,
 "I am ^aGod Almighty;
 Be fruitful and multiply;
 A nation and a company of nations shall come from you,
 And kings shall come forth from you.
 12 "The land which I gave to Abraham and Isaac,
 I will give it to you,
 And I will give the land to your descendants after you."
 13 Then God went up from him in the place where He had spoken with him.

14 Jacob set up a pillar in the place where He had spoken with him, a pillar of stone, and he poured out a drink offering on it; he also poured oil on it.

15 So Jacob named the place where God had spoken with him, ^aBethel.

16 Then they journeyed from Bethel

1 Kings 12:25-33

25 Then Jeroboam built Shechem in the hill country of Ephraim, and lived there. And he went out from there and built Penuel.

26 Jeroboam said in his heart, "Now the kingdom will return to the house of David.

27 "If this people go up to offer sacrifices in the house of the Lord at Jerusalem, then the heart of this people will return to their lord, *even* to Rehoboam king of Judah; and they will kill me and return to Rehoboam king of Judah."

28 So the king consulted, and made two golden calves, and he said to them, "It is too much for you to go up to Jerusalem; behold your gods, O Israel, that brought you up from the land of Egypt."

29 He set one in Bethel, and the other he put in Dan.

30 Now this thing became a sin, for the people went *to worship* before the one as far as Dan.

31 And he made houses on high places, and made priests from among all the people who were not of the sons of Levi.

32 Jeroboam instituted a feast in the eighth month on the fifteenth day of the month, like the feast which is in Judah, and he went up to the altar; thus he did in Bethel, sacrificing to the calves which he had made. And he stationed in Bethel the priests of the high places which he had made.

33 Then he went up to the altar which he had made in Bethel on the fifteenth day in the eighth month, even in the month which he had ^adevised in his own heart; and he instituted a feast for the sons of Israel and went up to the altar to burn incense.

Jeremiah 50:19

19 'And I will bring Israel back to his pasture and he will graze on Carmel and Bashan, and his desire will be satisfied in the hill country of Ephraim and Gilead.

Micah 7:14

14 Shepherd Your people with Your scepter,
The flock of Your possession
Which dwells by itself in the woodland,
In the midst of a fruitful field.
Let them feed in Bashan and Gilead
As in the days of old.

Ezekiel 39:18

18 "You will eat the flesh of mighty men and drink the blood of the princes of the earth, as *though they were* rams, lambs, goats and bulls, all of them fatlings of Bashan.

2 Timothy 3:1-7

- 1 But realize this, that in the last days difficult times will come.
- 2 For men will be lovers of self, lovers of money, boastful, arrogant, revilers, disobedient to parents, ungrateful, unholy,
- 3 unloving, irreconcilable, malicious gossips, without self-control, brutal, ^chaters of good,
- 4 treacherous, reckless, conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God,
- 5 holding to a form of ^agodliness, although they have denied its power; Avoid such men as these.
- 6 For among them are those who ^aenter into households and captivate ^bweak women weighed down with sins, led on by various impulses,
- 7 always learning and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth.

Deuteronomy 11:29-32

- 29 "It shall come about, when the Lord your God brings you into the land where you are entering to possess it, that you shall place the blessing on Mount Gerizim and the curse on Mount Ebal.
- 30 "Are they not across the Jordan, west of the way toward the sunset, in the land of the Canaanites who live in the Arabah, opposite Gilgal, beside the oaks of Moreh?
- 31 "For you are about to cross the Jordan to go in to possess the land which the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall possess it and live in it,
- 32 and you shall be careful to do all the statutes and the judgments which I am setting before you today.

Joshua 4:20-24

- 20 ^aThose twelve stones which they had taken from the Jordan, Joshua set up at Gilgal.
- 21 He said to the sons of Israel, "When your children ask their fathers in time to come, saying, 'What are these stones?'
- 22 then you shall inform your children, saying, 'Israel crossed this Jordan on dry ground.'
- 23 "For the Lord your God dried up the waters of the Jordan before you until you had crossed, just as the Lord your God had done to the Red Sea, which He dried up before us until we had crossed;
- 24 that all the peoples of the earth may know that the hand of the Lord is mighty, so that you may

Joshua 5:10-12

- 10 While the sons of Israel camped at Gilgal they observed the Passover on the evening of the fourteenth day of the month on the desert plains of Jericho.
- 11 On the day after the Passover, on that very day, they ate some of the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched *grain*.

12 The manna ceased on the day after they had eaten some of the produce of the land, so that the sons of Israel no longer had manna, but they ate some of the yield of the land of Canaan during that year.

1 Samuel 11:15

15 So all the people went to Gilgal, and there they made Saul king before the Lord in Gilgal. There they also offered sacrifices of peace offerings before the Lord; and there Saul and all the men of Israel rejoiced greatly.

Hosea 4:11-15

11 Harlotry, wine and new wine take away the understanding.
 12 My people consult their wooden idol, and their *diviner's* wand informs them;
 For a spirit of harlotry has led *them* astray,
 And they have played the harlot, *departing* from their God.
 13 They offer sacrifices on the tops of the mountains
 And ^bburn incense on the hills,
 Under oak, poplar and terebinth,
 Because their shade is pleasant.
 Therefore your daughters play the harlot
 And your brides commit adultery.
 14 I will not punish your daughters when they play the harlot
 Or your brides when they commit adultery,
 For *the men* themselves go apart with harlots
 And offer sacrifices with temple prostitutes;
 So the people without understanding are ruined.
 15 Though you, Israel, play the harlot,
 Do not let Judah become guilty;
 Also do not go to Gilgal,
 Or go up to Beth-aven
 And take the oath:
 "As the Lord lives!"

16 Since Israel is stubborn

Micah 6:6-8

6 With what shall I come to the Lord
 And bow myself before the God on high?
 Shall I come to Him with burnt offerings,
 With yearling calves?
 7 Does the Lord take delight in thousands of rams,
 In ten thousand rivers of oil?
 Shall I present my firstborn *for* my rebellious acts,
 The fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?

8 He has told you, O man, what is good;
 And what does the Lord require of you
 But to do justice, to love kindness,
 And to walk ^ehumbly with your God?

Leviticus 26:17-33

17 'I will set My face against you so that you will be struck down before your enemies; and those who hate you will rule over you, and you will flee when no one is pursuing you.
 18 'If also after these things you do not obey Me, then I will punish you seven times more for your sins.
 19 'I will also break down your pride of power; I will also make your sky like iron and your earth like bronze.
 20 'Your strength will be spent uselessly, for your land will not yield its produce and the trees of the land will not yield their fruit.
 21 'If then, you ^aact with hostility against Me and are unwilling to obey Me, I will increase the plague on you seven times according to your sins.
 22 'I will let loose among you the beasts of the field, which will bereave you of your children and destroy your cattle and reduce your number so that your roads lie deserted.
 23 'And if by these things you are not turned to Me, but act with hostility against Me,
 24 then I will act with hostility against you; and I, even I, will strike you seven times for your sins.
 25 'I will also bring upon you a sword which will execute vengeance for the covenant; and when you gather together into your cities, I will send pestilence among you, so that you shall be delivered into enemy hands.
 26 'When I break your staff of bread, ten women will bake your bread in one oven, and they will bring back your bread in rationed amounts, so that you will eat and not be satisfied.
 27 'Yet if in spite of this you do not obey Me, but act with hostility against Me,
 28 then I will act with wrathful hostility against you, and I, even I, will punish you seven times for your sins.
 29 'Further, you will eat the flesh of your sons and the flesh of your daughters you will eat.
 30 'I then will destroy your high places, and cut down your incense altars, and heap your remains on the remains of your idols, for My soul shall abhor you.
 31 'I will lay waste your cities as well and will make your sanctuaries desolate, and I will not smell your soothing aromas.
 32 'I will make the land desolate so that your enemies who settle in it will be appalled over it.
 33 'You, however, I will scatter among the nations and will draw out a sword after you, as your land becomes desolate and your cities become waste.

Leviticus 26:40-46

- 40** 'If they confess their iniquity and the iniquity of their forefathers, in their unfaithfulness which they committed against Me, and also in their acting with hostility against Me—
- 41 I also was acting with hostility against them, to bring them into the land of their enemies—or if their uncircumcised heart becomes humbled so that they then make amends for their iniquity,
- 42 then I will remember My covenant with Jacob, and I will remember also My covenant with Isaac, and My covenant with Abraham as well, and I will remember the land.
- 43 'For the land will be abandoned by them, and will make up for its sabbaths while it is made desolate without them. They, meanwhile, will be making amends for their iniquity, because they rejected My ordinances and their soul abhorred My statutes.
- 44 'Yet in spite of this, when they are in the land of their enemies, I will not reject them, nor will I so abhor them as to destroy them, breaking My covenant with them; for I am the Lord their God.
- 45 'But I will remember for them the covenant with their ancestors, whom I brought out of the land of Egypt in the sight of the nations, that I might be their God. I am the Lord.' "
- 46** These are the statutes and ordinances and laws which the Lord established between Himself and the sons of Israel through Moses at Mount Sinai.

Hebrews 12:5-11

- 5 and you have forgotten the exhortation which is addressed to you as sons,
 "My son, do not regard lightly the discipline of the Lord,
 Nor faint when you are reproved by Him;
- 6 For those whom the Lord loves He disciplines,
 And He scourges every son whom He receives."
- 7 It is for discipline that you endure; God deals with you as with sons; for what son is there whom *his* father does not discipline?
- 8 But if you are without discipline, of which all have become partakers, then you are illegitimate children and not sons.
- 9 Furthermore, we had earthly fathers to discipline us, and we respected them; shall we not much rather be subject to the Father of spirits, and live?
- 10 For they disciplined us for a short time as seemed best to them, but He *disciplines us* for *our* good, so that we may share His holiness.
- 11 All discipline for the moment seems not to be joyful, but sorrowful; yet to those who have been trained by it, afterwards it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness.

Job 9:9, 38:1

- 9 Who makes the Bear, Orion and the Pleiades,
 And the chambers of the south;
- 31** "Can you bind the chains of the Pleiades,
 Or loose the cords of Orion?

Deuteronomy 4:19

19 “And *beware* not to lift up your eyes to heaven and see the sun and the moon and the stars, all the host of heaven, and be drawn away and worship them and serve them, those which the Lord your God has allotted to all the peoples under the whole heaven.

Acts 7:39-43

- 39 “Our fathers were unwilling to be obedient to him, but repudiated him and in their hearts turned back to Egypt,
 40 saying to Aaron, ‘Make for us gods who will go before us; for this Moses who led us out of the land of Egypt—we do not know what happened to him.’
 41 “At that time they made a calf and brought a sacrifice to the idol, and were rejoicing in the works of their hands.
 42 “But God turned away and delivered them up to serve the host of heaven; as it is written in the book of the prophets, ‘It was not to Me that you offered victims and sacrifices forty years in the wilderness, was it, O house of Israel?’
 43 ‘You also took along the tabernacle of Moloch and the star of the god Rompha, the images which you made to worship. I also will remove you beyond Babylon.’

[New American Standard Bible: 1995 Update](#) (La Habra, CA: The Lockman Foundation, 1995), Ac 7:39–43.