

This Week's Text: Amos 5:1-17 – Yahweh: The Weeping God

Next Week: Johnny Tucker, Missionary to Laredo, Texas

- I. **The Lamenting God (1-3, 16-17)**
- II. **The Forgiving God (4-7, 14-15)**
- III. **The Just God (8-13)**

Corporate Reading Guide:

Read through the book of Amos this week. As you read, look for emotional wording from God's perspective. How do we see Him weep and mourn for His people?

Discussion Questions:

1. What impacted you and/or what did you learn from our study of Amos this week?
2. What impacted you and/or what did you learn about the Gospel? What did you learn about **God's** character, **Man's** sinfulness and need, **Christ's** atonement and how He meets our need, or God's call on us to **Respond**?
3. Read Amos 5:1-3 and 16-17. How can we grow to be more burdened and broken by our own sin and the sin of others?
4. Read Amos 5:4-7. What is our Bethel and Gilgal? What places, things, or relationships do we run to for safety that cannot save or last?
5. Read Amos 5:8-9. How should we respond to God's power, control, and creativity we see so clearly in creation and in our moral conscience?
6. Read Amos 5:10-13. Which aspect of Israel's character do we most often identify with and fall into?
7. Read Amos 5:14-15. Amos calls Israel to seek good, that they "may" live. That God "may" be gracious. Now read Amos 9:11-15. Notice there are no longer "may" or "might" verbs – they are all "will" verbs. How does this show us the better hope of the Messiah?
 - What New Testament verses speak about this hope of absolute and promised salvation?
(There are many)