

EXHORTATION AND ENCOURAGEMENT

Amos 8:4 – 9:15

The primary emphasis throughout the book of Amos has been the accusation of guilt and the announcement of judgment, Aside from a hint of grace in chapter five (5:15), the words of Amos have been devoid of hope. ~Al Fuhr & Gary Yates

Christians wrongly think that Christ died for us on the condition that after a time we would be the kind of people no one would have to die for. ~Elyse Fitzpatrick

The gospel is only good news when we understand the bad news. ~R.C. Sproul

*The gospel says, you are more sinful and flawed than you ever dared believe **AND** you are more loved and accepted than you ever dared hope. ~Tim Keller*

Exhortation and Encouragement from the Final Words of Amos.

1. _____ worship a priority. 8:4-10

• Deuteronomy 8:3b

➤ *Is worship a priority or an annoyance to you?*

2. _____ for God's Word. 8:11-14

3. _____ to, not from, God. 9:1-4

• Psalm 139:7-10, Psalm 11:4, Colossians 1:18

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➤ *When you run to God, you have nothing to fear.*

➤ *Does Jesus Christ have first place?*

4. _____ in your grasp of God. 9:5-6

The LORD is His name

What comes into our minds when we think about God is the most important thing about us. ... [T]he gravest question before the Church is always God Himself, and the most portentous fact about any man is not what he at a given time may say or do, but what he in his deep heart conceives God to be like. We tend by a secret law of the soul to move toward our mental image of God. This is true not only of the individual Christian, but of the company of Christians that composes the Church. Always the most revealing thing about the Church is her idea of God ~A.W. Tozer

➤ *What comes into your mind when you see, hear, read, sing or say God's name?*

5. _____ what God promised. 9:7-15

Salvation 9:7-10

A Savior 9:11-12, Acts 15:16-17

Blessings 9:13-15, 1 Corinthians 2:9

What has God spoken to you about this morning?

What do you need to do in response to the

_____ words of Amos?

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