MAJOR LESSONS FROM THE MINOR PROPHETS

Amos: God's Calling

The words of Amos, one of the shepherds of Tekoa—the vision he saw concerning Israel two years before the earthquake, when Uzziah was king of Judah and Jeroboam son of Jehoash was king of Israel.

(Amos 1:1)

Amos's dislocating call . . .

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He [Amos] said: "The Lord roars from Zion and thunders from Jerusalem; (Amos 1:2)

The Lord's ROAR . . . against

- Amos 5:12, 13
- ► Amos 5:21-23

But let justice roll on like a river, righteousness like a never-failing stream! (Amos 5:24)

The Lord's ROAR . . . against

Woe to those who are at ease in Zion and to those who feel secure in the mountain of Samaria. (Amos 6:1)

The Price Tag on God's Calling

Then Amaziah the priest of Bethel sent a message to Jeroboam king of Israel: "Amos is raising a conspiracy against you in the very heart of Israel. The land cannot bear all his words. (Amos 7:10)

¹²Then Amaziah said to Amos, "Get out, you seer! Go back to the land of Judah. Earn your bread there and do your prophesying there. ¹³Don't prophesy anymore at Bethel, because this is the king's sanctuary and the temple of the kingdom." (Amos 7:12,13)

The Bottom Line for those God calls . . .

¹⁴Amos answered Amaziah, "I was neither a prophet nor the son of a prophet, but I was a shepherd, and I also took care of sycamore-fig trees. ¹⁵But the Lord took me from tending the flock and said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.' (Amos 7:14,15)

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