


BOOK OF AMOS OUTLINE AND STRUCTURE

8 NATIONS PROSECUTION (1:3 — 2:16)	3 Messages (3:1 — 6:14)	5 Visions (7:1 — 9:10)	Restoration (9:11-15)
GOD'S IMPARTIALLY <i>Prosecution of the Nations</i>	GOD'S JUSTICE <i>Purposes of Israel's Judgment</i>	GOD'S JUDGMENTS <i>Pictures of Judgment</i>	GOD'S GRACE <i>Promises of Restoration</i>
CITY 1:3-5 DAMASCAS [Syria] CRIME: Often harassed Israel ("threshed Gilead with instruments of iron") JUDGMENT: 1) Capital at Damascus burned; 2) strongholds broken; 3) citizens enslaved	3:1-15 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amos addresses Israel (3:1) • YHWH addresses Israel (3:2) • Amos asks rhetorical questions (3:3-8) • YHWH speaks (3:9-15) 	Judgments Turned Aside 7:1-3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vision of Locusts 7:4-6 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vision of Fire 	9:11 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reconstruction of tabernacle of David "in that day"
CITY 1:6-8 GAZA [Philistia] CRIME: Sold Israelites into slavery to Edom JUDGMENT: Burn their 4 main cities (Gaza, Ashdod, Ashkelon, Ekron)	4:1-13 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amos addresses wealthy women of Israel (4:1-3) • YHWH's sarcastic response (4:4-5) • YHWH sends covenant curses, still no repentance (4:6-11) • YHWH threat of personal visitation (4:12) • Amos' declaration of God as creator and righteous judge (4:13) 	Judgments Not Turned Aside 7:7-17 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vision of a plumb line 8:1-14 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vision of Summer ripe fruit 9:1-10 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vision of the Lord above the Altar 	9:12 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Restoration of the limits of the Promised Land
CITY 1:9-10 TYRE [Phoenicia] CRIME: Broke their covenant with Israel JUDGMENT: Burn down their forts and palaces in their chief city Tyre	5:1-17 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ignoring true worship and social justice 		9:13 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agricultural abundance
COUNTRY 1:11-12 EDOM [modern: Jordan; capital Petra] CRIME: Murdered many Jews JUDGMENT: Teman, whose capital is Bozrah shall burn with fire	5:18-27 Woe! <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Day of the Lord confusion 		9:14 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reversal of the Mosaic curses upon Israel
COUNTRY 1:13-15 AMMON [relative of Israel through Lot] CRIME: Murdered many Jewish women JUDGMENT: Teman, whose capital is Bozrah shall burn with fire	6:1-14 Woe! <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Misplaced confidence in material riches 		9:15 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reestablished to the Promised Land
COUNTRY 2:1-3 MOAB [relative of Israel through Lot] CRIME: Desecrated the tombs of Edom JUDGMENT: Will be defeated in battle			
COUNTRY 2:4-5 JUDAH [southern tribes of Judah/Benjamin] CRIME: Theological: Disobey God's Word JUDGMENT: Fire upon the palaces of Jerusalem			
COUNTRY 2:6-16 ISRAEL [northern 10 tribes] CRIME: Theological & social; additional indictments (see chapters 3-6, especially injustices) JUDGMENT: 1) The Lord will press down upon them as an over-loaded wagon; 2) will stumble in battle			



- **Author:** Amos, "burden-bearer," fig grower, born in Judah
- **Date:** 760-753BC
- **Recipients:** Primarily Israel
- **Condition:** Peace, prosperity, spiritually corrupt.
- **Theme:** Israel's coming judgment for treating others with injustice.

"The LORD will roar from Zion" (Am.1:2)
"Prepare to meet thy God, O Israel" (Am.4:12)