

EASY STREET

Amos 6

None who defy God should be at ease

I. THE MINDSET OF EASY STREET RESIDENTS

A. WE HAVE PEACE! (1-2)

1. Their Attitude: Feeling secure (1)
 - Because of their place and prestige
2. Their Aptitude: A skewed perspective (2)

B. WE CAN PARTY! (4-7)

1. The Revelry (4-6a)
 - Laziness, gluttony, creativity, drunkenness and pampered-ness
2. The Reality (7)
 - Exile, humiliation and privation are coming

C. WE ARE PROUD (13)

1. Their Boasting: Celebrating self-reliance
2. Their Barrenness
 - They have nothing but horns

II. THE MISTAKES OF EASY STREET RESIDENTS

A. THEY ARE NOT CONSISTENT (3)

1. Dismissing the day of calamity
2. While dwelling near the seat of the violent

B. THEY HAVE NOT GRIEVED (6b)

1. There is no sense of sorrow over sin
2. No repentance was considered - See Jeremiah 5:3

C. THEY ARE NOT AWARE (8-11)

1. Of God's Reactions (8a)
2. Of God's Responses (8b-11)
 - a. Destroying their city (8b, 11)
 - b. Destroying the citizens (9-10)

D. THEY ARE NOT SENSIBLE (12)

1. Absurd Questions (12a)
2. Absurd Conduct (12b)
 - Toward justice and the righteous

E. THEY ARE NOT LISTENING (14)

1. Behold: Pay attention!
2. Believe: An enemy will afflict you top to bottom

III. THE MEMBERS OF EASY STREET REVIEWED**A. TO WHOM MIGHT WE LIKEN THEM?**

1. King Belshazzar in Daniel 5
2. The fruitful farmer in Luke 12:16-21
3. The prodigal son in Luke 15:11-32

B. WHO ARE THESE PEOPLE?

1. Carefree collegians
2. Complacent commoners
3. Corporate climbers
4. Contented consumers
5. Carnal Christians

CONCLUSION:

All of those on Easy Street will one day find themselves at God's Judgment Seat

- See II Corinthians 5:10 and Revelation 20:11-15