

LOOKING FORWARD

Amos 9:11-15

When things look bleakest, God bursts in!

I. THE COVENANT REVIVED (11-12)

A. THE KINGDOM RESTORED (11)

1. His Timing: In that day
2. His Promise: To raise the fallen booth of David
3. His Plan: To repair, raise up and rebuild

B. THE KING RULING (12)

1. His Company: "They"
2. His Care: Possessing
3. His Subjects: Edom and the nations
4. His Decree: Declares the Lord who does this

II. THE CURSES REVERSED (13-15)

- See Amos 4:6-11

A. PRODUCTIVITY (13)

- God builds back what He broke down

1. Abundance in the fields (13a)
2. Overflow on the mountains (13b)

B. PROSPERITY (14)

- Moving from God's wrath to His riches

1. Captives returned
2. Cities rebuilt
3. Crops restored: Fruits and vegetables

C. SECURITY (15)

- Resting in God's promises

1. Planted: On their land
2. Permanent: Never again pulled up
3. Proclaimed: Guaranteed by the Lord your God
- This is the sure word of Israel's covenant-keeping God - See Ez. 28:25-26

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III. SOME CONCLUSIONS REVIEWED

A. GOD HAS A PLAN!

1. After sifting (9) comes saving (11)
2. Nationally for Israel: The kernel was sifted, and the chaff winnowed, but the seed never went away
3. Personally for us: “When He has tried me, I shall come forth as gold.” - Job 23:10

B. GOD KEEPS HIS PROMISES

1. A Promised King - II Samuel 7:16
 - The Davidic Covenant is fulfilled
2. A Promised Land - Genesis 12:7
 - The Abrahamic Covenant is fulfilled
3. A Promised Time - Revelation 20:4-6
 - a. In that day (11) ... days are coming (13)
 - b. A time yet future
 - c. A time of literal fulfillment
 - With a real king Jesus (see Zech. 14:9), reigning on a real throne in Jerusalem (see Rev. 20:6)

CONCLUSION: Let us revel and rejoice in looking forward!