### Amos

## Chapter 4

1‘So, hear these words, O heifers of ‘So, hear these words, O heifers of <span class="placename">BaShan‘So, hear these words, O heifers of <span class="placename">BaShan</span>…  
 Yes, you in Yes, you in <span class="placename">Samaria Yes, you in <span class="placename">Samaria</span>’s mountains…  
 You who are tyrants to the needy,  
 And you who trample the poor...  
 Those poor that must now beg their masters  
 To give them something to drink!  
  
 2‘For by all that He deems to be holy,  
 Against them, God swore this oath:  
  
 ‘Look, the days will soon come  
 When they’ll gather you and your families  
 And throw you into hot cauldrons.  
 3You’ll be led away naked in lines,  
 And they’ll scatter [your bones] on And they’ll scatter [your bones] on <span class="placename">Mount HerMonAnd they’ll scatter [your bones] on <span class="placename">Mount HerMon</span>,’ says Jehovah.  
  
 4‘For, when you went up to ‘For, when you went up to <span class="placename">BethEl‘For, when you went up to <span class="placename">BethEl</span>  
 You went there to do irreverent things.  
 And at And at <span class="placename">GilGalAnd at <span class="placename">GilGal</span> you did even worse…  
 Although you brought sacrifices in the mornings,  
 And on the third day, you brought in your tithes;  
 5Thereafter, you read outside of the Law,  
 And demanded [special] offerings for confessions.  
  
 ‘So against you, I’ve made this pronouncement,  
 Because IsraEl’s sons have loved all these things:  
 6To your cities, I now will send toothaches,  
 And I’ll send famines of bread…  
 For you left Me and never returned,’ says Jehovah.  
  
 7‘I’ll hold back the rain on your crops for three months;  
 Then, I’ll [send] rain to one town,  
 But I’ll not send rain on another…  
 Yes, I’ll send rain to one portion,  
 And not send rain to another,  
 So some places will become very dry.  
  
 8‘Then, those from two or three cities  
 Will go to one city to drink…  
 But no way will they be satisfied,  
 Because they won’t turn back to Me,’ says Jehovah.  
  
 9‘Then I’ll strike you with jaundice and fire;  
 And the vineyards and gardens you’ve gained,  
 As well as your groves of olives and figs,  
 Will all be eaten by bugs…  
 But you still won’t turn back [to Me],’ says Jehovah.  
  
 10‘Then from ‘Then from <span class="placename">Egypt‘Then from <span class="placename">Egypt</span>, I’ll send you a plague,  
 And your young men, I’ll kill by the sword.  
 Thereafter, I’ll take all your horses…  
 And because this will just make you angry,  
 Into your camps, I’ll send fire…  
 Yet to Me, you still won’t return,’ says Jehovah.  
  
 11‘Like ‘Like <span class="placename">Sodom‘Like <span class="placename">Sodom</span> and ‘Like <span class="placename">Sodom</span> and <span class="placename">GomorRah‘Like <span class="placename">Sodom</span> and <span class="placename">GomorRah</span>, I’ll wipe you away…  
 I’ll make you like coals that are pulled from the flames…  
 Yet to Me, you still won’t return,’ says Jehovah.  
  
 12‘Because of such things, O IsraEl;  
 Both this and that, I’ll then do to you  
 Until you’re ready to call to your God!  
  
 13‘Look! I’m the One who sends thunder…  
 I’m also the One who created the wind  
 And the One who tells men about His concerns.  
  
 ‘I’m the One who sends both the dawn and the fog,  
 And I ride across the heights of the earth…  
 Yes, I am Jehovah, the Almighty God!’