Book of Amos

Chapter 3

Douay-Rheims Bible

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The evils that shall fall upon Israel for their sins.

- 3:1. Hear the word that the Lord hath spoken concerning you, O ye children of Israel: concerning the whole family that I brought up out of the land of Egypt, saying:
- 3:2. You only have I known of all the families of the earth: therefore will I visit upon you all your iniquities.
- 3:3. Shall two walk together except they be agreed?
- 3:4. Will a lion roar in the forest, if he have no prey? will the lion's whelp cry out of his den, if he have taken nothing?
- 3:5. Will the bird fall into the snare upon the earth, if there be no fowler? Shall the snare be taken up from the earth, before it hath taken somewhat?
- 3:6. Shall the trumpet sound in a city, and the people not be afraid? Shall there be evil in a city, which the Lord hath not done?

- 3:7. For the Lord God doth nothing without revealing his secret to his servants the prophets.
- 3:8. The lion shall roar, who will not fear? The Lord God hath spoken, who shall not prophesy?
- 3:9. Publish it in the houses of Azotus, and in the houses of the land of Egypt, and say: Assemble yourselves upon the mountains of Samaria, and behold the many follies in the midst thereof, and them that suffer oppression in the inner rooms thereof.
- 3:10. And they have not known to do the right thing, saith the Lord, storing up iniquity, and robberies in their houses.
- 3:11. Therefore thus saith the Lord God: The land shall be in tribulation, and shall be compassed about: and thy strength shall be taken away from thee, and thy houses shall be spoiled.
- 3:12. Thus saith the Lord: As if a shepherd should get out of the lion's mouth two legs, or the tip of the ear: so shall the children of Israel be taken out that dwell in Samaria, in a place of a bed, and in the couch of Damascus.

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- 3:13. Hear ye, and testify in the house of Jacob, saith the Lord the God of hosts:
- 3:14. That in the day when I shall begin to visit the transgressions of Israel, I will visit upon him, and upon the altars of Bethel: and the horns of the altars shall be cut off, and shall fall to the ground.
- 3:15. And I will strike the winter house with the summer house: and the houses of ivory shall perish, and many houses shall be destroyed, saith the Lord.