

Amos: The Country Cousin

John Phillips

- I. INTRODUCTION (1:1–2)
- II. THE VIGILANCE OF THE PROPHET (1:3–2:16)
 - A. Lands Near to God’s People (1:3–2:3)
 - 1. Those Always Considered as Gentile Foreigners by Israel (1:3–10)
 - a. Damascus (1:3–5)
 - b. Gaza (1:6–8)
 - c. Tyre (1:9–10)
 - 2. Those Always Considered as Genetic Family by Israel (1:11–2:3)
 - a. Edom (1:11–12)
 - b. Ammon (1:13–15)
 - c. Moab (2:1–3)
 - B. Lands Native to God’s People (2:4–16)
 - 1. The Doom of Royal Judah (2:4–5)
 - 2. The Doom of Rebellious Israel (2:6–16)
 - a. The Formula (2:6a)
 - b. The Facts (2:6b–12)
 - c. The Future (2:13–16)
- III. THE VOICE OF THE PROPHET (3:1–6:14)
 - A. As to the Present (3:1–15)
 - 1. The Lord’s Questions to Israel (3:1–9)
 - 2. The Lord’s Quarrel with Israel (3:10–15)
 - B. As to the Past (4:1–13)
 - 1. The Lord’s Scorn (4:1–5)
 - 2. The Lord’s Scourge (4:6–13)
 - C. As to the Prospect (5:1–6:14)
 - 1. The Distress of the Lord (5:1–15)
 - 2. The Day of the Lord (5:16–20)
 - 3. The Disgust of the Lord (5:21–27)
 - 4. The Determination of the Lord (6:1–14)
- IV. THE VISIONS OF THE PROPHET (7:1–9:10)
 - A. Judgment Restrained (7:1–6)
 - 1. The Devouring Locust (7:1–3)
 - 2. The Devouring Flame (7:4–6)

B. Judgment Required (7:7–17)

1. The Plumbline (7:7–9)
2. The Priest (7:10–17)

C. Judgment Restored (8:1–9:10)

1. The Solemn Sign (8:1–3)
2. The Sobering Sermon (8:4–14)
3. The Startling Sight (9:1–4)
4. The Sudden Stroke (9:5–6)
5. The Sifting Sieve (9:7–10)

V. THE VINDICATION OF THE PROPHET (9:11–15)

1. Israel's Privileges Restored (9:11–12)
2. Israel's Prosperity Restored (9:13–14)
3. Israel's Protection Restored (9:15)¹

¹ Phillips, J. (1998). *Exploring the Minor Prophets: The Book of the Twelve* (pp. 85-86). Neptune, NJ: Loizeaux Brothers.