

Amos 7 A Portrait of a True Prophet

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A. Proper Prayer

v 1 - 6

v 1 & 4 (1) Visions

grasshopper [order - Orthoptera : includes locusts, crickets, katydids (Lev 11:22)]

Prophetic Visions hx: **Gen 46:2 Eze 1:1**

Amos gets a vision of *God's thoughts* **Exo 32:14** ; contrast - **Num 23:19-20 Ps 89:34**

spir: **Heb 1:1-2 Eph 1:9 & 3:4**

v 2 & 5 (2) Intercessory Prayer **Eze 22:30**

examples - Moses for Israel, **Exo 32:32**
Moses for Miriam, **Num 12:13**
Moses for Israel, **Num 14:17, Deu 9:26**
Iddo for Jeroboam, **1 Kings 13:6**
David for Israel, **1 Chr 21:17**
Hezekiah for the people, **2 Chr 30:8**

v 3 & 6 (3) Answered Prayer **1 John 5:14-15 John 14:14**

B. Perfect Plumbline

v 7 - 9

v 7 *plumbline* - A plumb bob attached to a line of string; used by masons and carpenters.
Gives a straight line from the top down.

Salvation begins in heaven and comes down

came down **Gen 11:5 John 3:13, John 6:40, 51, 58**

v 8 The perfect plumbline set *in the midst of ... Israel* = the sinless Son of God.

v 9 *the sword* = *all his words* (v 10) **Isa 28:17**
{ extra study : John 12:48 Gal 1:8 1 Thes 2:13 2 Tim 3:16-17 }

C. Personal Persecution

v 10 - 13

v 10 - 11 (1) His preaching is despised, changed and mocked.

The high priest of the golden calves (Amaziah) calls inspiration a "conspiracy".
note: **Isa 5:20 Proverbs 27:19**

v 12 - 13 (2) His person is threatened **Matt 5:10-12**

D. Prophecy's Perspective

v 14 - 17

He doesn't justify or defend himself; he just continues giving God's word, v 15,16,17.
prophecy **1 Cor 14:1-5**