

Volume 3 The Prophetic Books Amos 3:6 – 7

"...When disaster comes to a city, isn't it because the LORD *has* planned it? But always, first of all, I warn you through My servants the prophets. I, the Sovereign LORD, have now done this."" Amos 3:6b – 7 NLT

Life's questions may often be beyond our ability to answer. But we can be assured of certain immutable truths – God does not lie, and most certainly, He cannot lie. (Hebrews 6:18). And we can rest assured of His unchanging and unswerving character – God is love. (1 John 4:8). His intents and purposes for us are for our good, not evil. (1John 4:8; Jeremiah 29:11).

The promise of Jesus Christ to His people is that the Holy Spirit would "show you things to come." (John 16:13). The Lord's intent is never to judge for judgment's sake. Disaster – whether on a personal level or on a city-wide or national level – always has a precursor of the Lord's warning.

Even should destruction come at or by the hand of the devil or by natural causes, the Lord has promised to always warn His people. The truth be told, He warns the unbeliever as well.

The question then that must be faced is a simple one. Are we walking in step and in time with the Spirit and voice of God?

"Lord, I believe You have given me ears to hear what You are saying. I believe that I not only am in tune with Your Spirit but that I hear and heed the Voice of the Spirit."

"...He wakens me morning by morning, He wakens my ear to hear as the learned. The Lord GOD hath opened mine ear, and I was not rebellious, neither did I turned away." (Isaiah 50:4b - 5).

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