

# Amos 2

## God's judgment on Moab, Judah, and Israel

(*The People's Bible*, Hosea, Joel, Amos, pages 195-205)

### Look

- Verse 9      *"I destroyed the Amorite."*—*Amorite* was a generic term for the inhabitants of Canaan. God had preserved the patriarchs during their stay there, and he had destroyed the Amorites when Israel took the land.
- Verse 11     *"Nazirites"*—A Nazirite was a faithful Israelite who took a special vow as part of his worship life. Often, the vow was made out of thanks to the Lord for a prayer answered or a blessing received. The Nazirite vowed not to drink strong drink, not to touch a dead body, and not to cut his hair—for the duration of the vow.

### Discuss

1. Locate Moab on a map. How was Moab's sin different from the rest of the sins committed by foreign nations against Israel?
2. What two sins was Judah committing even while Amos spoke to it?
3. What were the sins of Israel for which God condemned it?
4. In verses 9-16, the Lord summarizes his grace, his people's rebellion, and his impending judgment. Which verses contain each of these themes?

### Apply

5. What blessings has the Lord given you? What will happen if Christians misuse those blessings? (See 1 Corinthians 10:1-11 and 2 Corinthians 6:1,2.)

*The Lord censured Moab, Judah, and Israel for their sins.*