

Rebuild and Restore

Amos 9:11-15

SERMON NOTES

I. Introduction

1. Life in Ruins

II. Learn to Hold On: the promise of hope in Amos

1. Place the promise in context: Amos and his times
2. Admit the hard reality
3. Pay attention to the Verbs

III. Confess Your Ruins: Jesus rebuilds and restores

1. Follow a Samaritan Woman: John 4
2. Admit you need both Grace and Truth

IV. Drink the Living Water

1. Live a new Life
 - i. Letting Go
 - ii. Grabbing hold
2. Ask to be filled by the Holy Spirit

Discussion Questions

Sharing Life Together

1. How much hope do you have right now? Why do you think you feel this way?
2. What is the most difficult situation you have had to endure?

Reflecting on the Message Together

Read Amos 9:11-15

1. The purpose of limited judgement is to wake us up to our need for God. How has suffering and hardship worked in your life to bring you closer to God?
2. Why does this limited judgment not always work? Why does pain and hardship sometimes lead us to reject God?
3. God's great desire is to save us. How does Amos 9:11-15 express that reality?
4. In what ways has Amos 9:11-15 already been fulfilled? In what ways are we still looking for greater fulfillment?
5. Read John 4. How does Jesus restore and rebuild the Samaritan woman's life?
6. In what ways is the Samaritan woman an example of what Jesus wants to do in every one of our lives?
7. How have you experienced Jesus giving you a renewed sense of purpose?
8. What are ways that you actively drink the living water that Jesus offers us?
9. What is Jesus calling you to let go of, and what is he calling you to embrace?
10. How did God speak to you through the message?
11. How can we pray for one another?