

<sup>18</sup> Woe to you who long for the day of the LORD! Why do you long for the day of the LORD? That day will be darkness, not light. <sup>19</sup> It will be as though a man fled from a lion only to meet a bear, as though he entered his house and rested his hand on the wall only to have a snake bite him. <sup>20</sup> Will not the day of the LORD be darkness, not light—pitch-dark, without a ray of brightness?

Amos 5:18-20

<sup>9</sup> "In that day," declares the Sovereign LORD,  
"I will make the sun go down at noon and darken the  
earth in broad daylight. <sup>10</sup> I will turn your religious  
festivals into mourning and all your singing into  
weeping. I will make all of you wear sackcloth and  
shave your heads. I will make that time like mourning  
for an only son and the end of it like a bitter day.

Amos 8:9-10

<sup>8</sup> "Surely the eyes of the Sovereign LORD are on the sinful kingdom. I will destroy it from the face of the earth. **Yet I will not totally destroy the descendants of Jacob,**" declares the LORD...

<sup>11</sup> "In that day I will restore David's fallen shelter—I will repair its broken walls and restore its ruins—and will rebuild it as it used to be, <sup>12</sup> so that they may possess the remnant of Edom and all the nations that bear my name," declares the LORD, who will do these things.

Amos 9:8, 11-12

<sup>13</sup> "The days are coming," declares the LORD, "when the reaper will be overtaken by the plowman and the planter by the one treading grapes. New wine will drip from the mountains and flow from all the hills,

<sup>14</sup> and **I will bring my people Israel back from exile.**

"They will rebuild the ruined cities and live in them.

They will plant vineyards and drink their wine; they will make gardens and eat their fruit. <sup>15</sup> I will plant Israel in their own land, **never again** to be uprooted from the land I have given them," says the LORD your God.

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<sup>7</sup> In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's **grace** <sup>8</sup> that he lavished on us.

Ephesians 1:7-8

<sup>4</sup> But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, <sup>5</sup> made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by **grace** you have been saved. <sup>6</sup> And God raised us up with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus, <sup>7</sup> in order that in the coming ages he might show the incomparable riches of his **grace**, expressed in his kindness to us in Christ Jesus. <sup>8</sup> For it is by **grace** you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God— <sup>9</sup> not by works, so that no one can boast.

Ephesians 2:4-9

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