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AMOS 1:2

"The **LORD** roars from Zion and thunders from Jerusalem; the pastures of the shepherds dry up, and the top of Carmel withers."

This is what the LORD says: "For three sins of Judah, even for four, **I WILL NOT RELENT**. Because they have rejected the law of the LORD and have not kept His decrees…

AMOS 2:4b-5

…because they have been led astray by false gods, the gods their ancestors followed, 5 I will send fire on Judah that will consume the fortresses of Jerusalem.”

This is what the LORD says: “For three sins of Israel, even for four, **I WILL NOT RELENT**. They sell the innocent for silver, and the needy for a pair of sandals…

They trample on the heads of the poor as on the dust of the ground and deny justice to the oppressed. Father and son use the same girl and so profane my holy name…

AMOS 2:8

They lie down beside every altar on garments taken in pledge. In the house of their god they drink wine taken as fines."

VERSE 6

You sell the innocent for silver, and the needy for a pair of sandals.

EXODUS 23:6-7

“Do not deny justice to your poor people in their lawsuits. 7 Have nothing to do with a false charge and do not put an innocent or honest person to death, for I will not acquit the guilty…

EXODUS 23:8

Do not accept a bribe, for a bribe blinds those who see and twists the words of the innocent.”

VERSE 7

They trample on the heads of the poor as on the dust of the ground and deny justice to the oppressed.

LEVITICUS 25:35

"If any of your fellow Israelites become poor and are unable to support themselves among you, **HELP THEM** as you would a foreigner and strangers, so they can continue to live among you…

LEVITICUS 25:36-37

Do not take interest or any profit from them, but fear your God, **SO THAT** they may continue to live among you. 37 You must not lend them money at interest or sell them food at a profit."

VERSE 8

Father and son use the same girl and so profane my holy name.

LEVITICUS 18:3

You must not do as they do in Egypt, where you used to live, and you must not do as they do in the land of Canaan, where I am bringing you. Do not follow their practices.

LEVITICUS 18:27

For all these things were done by the people who lived in the land before you, and the land became defiled…

LEVITICUS 18:28

And if you defile the land, it will vomit you out as it vomited out the nations that were before you.

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EXODUS 22:25

"If you lend money to one of my people among you who is needy, **DO NOT TREAT IT LIKE A BUSINESS DEAL**; <u>charge no interest</u>…

EXODUS 22:26b-27

If you take your neighbours cloak as a pledge, <u>return it by sunset</u>,
27 because that cloak is the only covering your neighbour has. What else can they sleep in? When they cry out to me, I will hear, for I am compassionate.”

AMOS 2:13

“Now then, I will crush you as a cart crushes when loaded with grain.”

“Inter Caetera”
also referred to as
“The Doctrine of Discovery”

- POPE ALEXANDER VI, 1493 A.D.

“Should anyone presume to attempt this (*to interfere*), be it known to him that he will incur the wrath of the Almighty God and of the blessed apostles Peter and Paul.”

- POPE ALEXANDER VI, Inter Caetera

“The Requirement”

- 1510/13 A.D., The Council of Castile

“But, if you do not do this, and maliciously make delay in it, I certify to you that, with the help of God, we shall powerfully enter into your country, and shall make war against you in all ways and manners that we can…

- THE REQUIREMENT, 1510/13

and shall subject you to the yoke and obedience of the Church and of their Highnesses; we shall take you and your wives and your children, and shall make slaves of them…

- THE REQUIREMENT, 1510/13

and as such shall sell and dispose of them as their Highnesses may command; and we shall take away your goods, and shall do you all the mischief and damage that we can, as to vassals who do not obey, and refuse to receive their lord…

- THE REQUIREMENT, 1510/13

and resist and contradict him; and we protest that the deaths and losses which shall accrue from this are your fault, and not that of their Highnesses, or ours, nor of these cavaliers who come with us."

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