

THIS WEEK

BIG IDEA

God will make wrong things right.

BIBLE

Amos 5:10-15; James 5:1-8; Isaiah 1:17

ABOUT THIS WEEK

People who cut to the front of the line at an amusement park can fill us with anger and a sense of injustice, but how should we respond to those feelings? This week, we'll read from the book of Amos to see how he responded to the injustices he saw in his community. Instead of just letting things slide,

Amos took action, showing us **God will make wrong things right**.

Conversation Starters:

- What is the longest line you have ever waited in? What was it for? Was it worth the wait?
- What are the main three emotions you experience when you have been wronged? What about when someone you care about has been wronged?

Scripture:

Before you read the passage together, take a moment to recap:

• Who was Amos, and what is his Biblical significance? [Amos was a prophet in the Bible who spoke out against unfairness. He told the people of Israel that they were treating the poor badly and just going through the motions of worship without really meaning it. He warned them that they would face trouble if they didn't change, but he also shared hope that things could get better in the future if they lived the way God intended.]

Read Amos 5:10-15 together.

- In this verse, God uses Amos to communicate some hard truth to the people of Israel. Do you think God can still use people like us to do this today? If so, what might that look like?
- Why do you think God cares so deeply about injustice in the world around us?
- What does it look like to partner with God to make wrong things right like Amos did?

Read Isaiah 1:17.

- What does this verse tell us about what matters to God? What would it look like to put some of what this verse talks about into practice?
- What's one wrong you've noticed recently that you can help make right? What's one step you can take to do that this week?
- Who's one person you know who speaks out about the wrongs they see, does something about it, and talks to God about the situation? What's one thing they do that you could begin doing this week?

Close out your time by praying for God to remind us that we can be courageous because He is with us.