



# DISCUSSION GUIDE

THIS WEEK: Amos 9:11-15

## GETTING STARTED

What is one thing you are thankful for this week and what is one thing we can pray for you this week?

Remind each other of our simple expectations for meeting together.

How much have you engaged with the Old Testament? Are you fearful of it, have you skipped it, do you love it? (No wrong answers!)

## QUICK REACTIONS

How would you summarize/paraphrase the message in your own words and what point/idea resonated most with you? Why?

Do you have any personal stories around injustice that you'd like to share?

## QUESTIONS FROM THE MESSAGE

"Justice is love looks like in public." – Cornel West. What did this quote make you think about? What would "love in public" look like for our church? Our community?

Where have you seen injustice in society? Which ones really bother you?

Our hope is built on Jesus Christ, not a promised future of ease and comfort (though both are available). How does that help us to live today? How would being focused solely on the "bright future" aspect shrink our witness to the world today?

## EXPLORE THE PASSAGE [Amos 9:11-15; Ephesians 1:10; Deut 8:11-14; Rev 21:2-4]

What are ways wealth can make us "forget about God" (Deut 8:11-14)?

What do you think about the fact that the earth won't simply burn away, but becomes our forever home? (Rev 21:2-4)

As earth is restored, we are restored to right relationship with God and with all the nations and tribes, under the headship of Christ. (Eph 1:10) What makes you look forward to that day? Does that change how you live now?

## APPLY THE PASSAGE

What do we learn about God and about ourselves in these passages?

What may God be asking you to change, do differently, repent of, pray about as a result of engaging with this passage?

How can we pray for each other?