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**Amos 6:1-7**

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- “Success is a lousy teacher. It seduces smart people into thinking they can’t lose.”- Bill Gates
- Such was the feeling in Israel at this time.
- Amos, a resident of Tekoa in Judah had been sent by God to prophecy to Israel. He was not groomed as a prophet, but was a herdsman and dresser of figs.
- Assyrian dominance had declined. Wealth and success existed. Success not seen since the days of Solomon.

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- This seemed to be an indication to them that God was about to restore them to their previous power.
- This was their idea concerning “the day of the Lord.”
- They had misinterpreted the signs- Amos 5:18.
- In every generation there is the challenge not to become complacent and satisfied.
- Consider Matt 23:25.
- This is even the challenge for the church today.
- Two takeaways from this today include:

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- Be vigilant about your Christian walk.
  - 1 Peter 5:8
  - 1 Cor. 10:12
  - We can misread the signs of our success.
  - The more we live as a Christian the more we should recognize the folly of being consumed with big homes, fancy cars, and designer clothes.
  - The more I should feel the weight of my inadequacies.

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- Be protective of your heavenly crown.
  - II John 8
  - Keep working – I Cor. 3:8
  - Heb. 4:11
  - Heb. 2:1-4
    - Think about the proof on which to base your faith.
    - We truly have a marvelous hope.- Heb. 6:13-19