

Dig Deeper @Home – "Planted (not buried)" Complement to sermon on 6/23/2019 – "The End has Come"

ICE BREAKER – ask these to open dialogue and learn more about those gathered

- 1. Share highs and lows of the past week.
- 2. What's the last movie you saw/book you read and what did you take away from it?

MEMORIZE – Amos 9:15

I will plant them on their land, and they shall never again be uprooted out of the land that I have given them," says the LORD your God.

READ – Read Amos 8

Questions to ponder/discuss:

- 1. What bothers you or makes you uncomfortable about this passage? Why?
- 2. What do you like/not like about this passage?
- 3. What questions do you have about this passage?
- 4. What does this passage reveal about God?
- 5. What does this passage reveal about humanity?
- 6. If the above is true, what needs to change in your life?

Experiential: Ripe Fruit

Buy some apples. Make sure the apples are good and ripe. Now take a single bite out of an apple, set it on a table and walk away. Come back in an hour or so. What do you notice? (the apple is most likely brownish where it was bitten). Why did it turn brown? What's the connection between this and Amos 8: 1-3? If there is sin in our life, what are we supposed to do? (hint: read Amos 5: 1-7 and 1st John 1: 7-9). Now, take a knife and carefully cut out the brown that has come on the surface of the apple. Is that apple good to eat again? (yup) Enjoy the apple and spend time asking God to reveal what you need to confess and then do it and experience the cleansing that only God can provide through Christ Jesus.

SING (suggested songs to sing. Use these or any song you might want to sing)

Oh Praise the Name - <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LqBpifDpNKc</u> Give Us Clean Hands - <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=onGbkeWkA64</u>

I stand Amazed in the Presence – Mennonite Hymnal #540

PRAY

This is a time to gather around for prayer requests and to share how you have seen God at work. A time to hear where God is showing up in our lives and where we need Him to help us in our lives.

Sending prayer based on the lesson:

Go from here, as God's chosen race, as God's royal priesthood, as God's holy nation, as God's very own people. Go, proclaiming the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light, who gave new hope for life here and hereafter.