



## The LORD roars from Zion

The Book of Amos

### Amos 7:1-9 – Three Visions of God’s Judgment

1. Judgement by natural disaster
  
2. Judgement by cosmic phenomenon
  
3. Judgment by divine intervention

Q: What can I do and what hope do I have when I know I am out of plumb?



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*Amos 7:1-9 ESV This is what the Lord GOD [Sovereign Lord NIV] showed me: behold, he was forming locusts when the latter growth was just beginning to sprout, and behold, it was the latter growth after the king's mowings [just as the late crops were coming up NIV].<sup>2</sup> When they had finished eating the grass of the land, I said, "O Lord GOD, please forgive! How can Jacob stand? He is so small!"<sup>3</sup> The LORD relented concerning this: "It shall not be," said the LORD.<sup>4</sup> This is what the Lord GOD showed me: behold, the Lord GOD was calling for a judgment by fire, and it devoured the great deep and was eating up the land.<sup>5</sup> Then I said, "O Lord GOD, please cease! How can Jacob stand? He is so small!"<sup>6</sup> The LORD relented concerning this: "This also shall not be," said the Lord GOD.<sup>7</sup> This is what he showed me: behold, the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand.<sup>8</sup> And the LORD said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said, "Behold, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass by them;<sup>9</sup> the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword."*