# WHEN THE LORD ROARS: IS IT FAIR FOR GOD TO JUDGE?

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## FIVE EVIDENCES THAT GOD GOES ABOVE AND BEYOND FAIR IN JUDGEMENT

1. Access to God's _____.

   *Thus says the LORD: "For three transgressions of Judah, and for four, I will not revoke the punishment, because they have rejected the law of the LORD, and have not kept his statutes."*

   *–Amos 2:4 (ESV)*

2. God _____ them.

   "*Yet it was I who destroyed the Amorite before them, whose height was like the height of the cedars and who was as strong as the oaks; I destroyed his fruit above and his roots beneath. 10 Also it was I who brought you up out of the land of Egypt and led you forty years in the wilderness, to possess the land of the Amorite.*

   *–Amos 2:9-10 (ESV)*

3. God put _____ _____ among them.

   *And I raised up some of your sons for prophets, and some of your young men for Nazirites. Is it not indeed so, O people of Israel?" declares the LORD.*

   *–Amos 2:11 (ESV)*

4. God sent _____ to warn the people.

"*For the Lord GOD does nothing without revealing his secret to his servants the prophets.*"

*–Amos 3:7 (ESV)*

5. God sent _____.

"*I gave you cleanness of teeth in all your cities, and lack of bread in all your places, yet you did not return to me,*" *declares the LORD. "I also withheld the rain from you when there were yet three months to the harvest; I would send rain on one city, and send no rain on another city; one field would have rain, and the field on which it did not rain would wither; so two or three cities would wander to another city to drink water, and would not be satisfied; yet you did not return to me,*" *declares the LORD. "I struck you with blight and mildew; your many gardens and your vineyards, your fig trees and your olive trees the locust devoured; yet you did not return to me,*" *declares the LORD. "I sent among you a pestilence after the manner of Egypt; I killed your young men with the sword, and carried away your horses, and I made the stench of your camp go up into your nostrils; yet you did not return to me,*" *declares the LORD. "I overthrew some of you, as when God overthrew Sodom and Gomorrah, and you were as a brand plucked out of the burning; yet you did not return to me,*" *declares the LORD.*

*–Amos 4:6-11 (ESV)*

## IS GOD STILL FAIR TO JUDGE US?

The parallels of God's fairness in our day . . .

1. Access to God's _____.

There is more access to the Bible in the world today than at any other point in history.

- _____ Billion Bibles in Print
- _____ of the Bible 24 hours a day 365 days a year.
- _____ on your phones.

**But only 10% of us read our Bibles daily.**

2. God _____ us.

*For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death.*

*–Romans 8:2 (ESV)*

We are free not from slavery in Egypt, but from slavery in sin!

3. God put _____ _____ among them.

Who is your witness? _____

6. God sent _____ to warn the people.

"*For the Lord GOD does nothing without revealing his secret to his servants the prophets.*" *–Amos 3:7 (ESV)*

Messenger of the Lord _____.

"*In infinite mercy a last warning message has been sent to the world, announcing that Christ is at the door and calling attention to God's broken law. But as the antediluvians rejected with scorn the warning of Noah, so will the pleasure lovers of today reject the message of God's faithful servants. The world pursues its unvarying round, absorbed as ever in its business and its pleasures, while the wrath of God is about to be visited on the transgressors of His law… If the church pursue a course similar to that of the world, they will share the same fate. Nay, rather, as they have received greater light, their punishment will be greater than that of the impenitent.*"

*–Ellen G. White, Testimonies for the Church, Vol. 5 pp. 99-100.*

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7. God sends _____.

## MATTHEW 24

- False prophets and imposter messiahs (vv. 5, 11, & 24)
- An increase in conflict (vv.6, 7)
- An increase in natural disasters and suffering due to events in nature. (v. 7)
- Moral decline (vv. 12 and 29)

**But there is also a very hopeful sign:**

The story and the love of Jesus will be proclaimed in all the world (v. 14)

## CONCLUSION

God is fair to judge us, and beyond fair!

We are sinners and God is righteous. Therefore, apart from Jesus our judgment is death.

So, what must we do to be saved?

"*Seek The Lord and live.*" *–Amos 5:6*

"*For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their works were evil.*"

*–John 3:16-19 (ESV)*

The judgment is only against us if we condemn ourselves by choosing to love the world more than Jesus.

**SEEK THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD!**
**SEEK THE LORD AND LIVE!**
**INVITE JESUS TO BE IN CONTROL OF YOUR LIFE!**