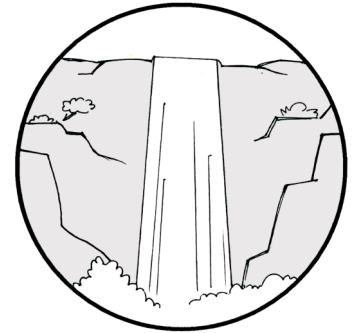




Lesson #4-10

LET JUSTICE ROLL DOWN

Amos 1:1-2, 5:14-15, 21-24



Key Verse:

But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

Amos 5:24

The Point:

Amos reminds us to seek God, hate evil, and serve others.

Unit Theme (November 14—November 21)

Promises of Hope

NEEDS AND WANTS

Supplies:

- † Card stock
- † Markers
- † Items representing “needs” and “wants”

Preparation:

1. Gather items representing needs (such as clean water, shelter, education, etc.) and wants (such as an electronic device, designer clothing, expensive car, etc.). Be sure to include spiritual needs (such as worship) and wants (such as the use of incense). Include a few items that could generate conversation (a designer piece of clothing, an elegant meal or food item).
2. Make signs that say “NEEDS” and “WANTS.” Place them in a location visible to all worshippers.

Instructions:

1. Ask for volunteers. Give each volunteer an item to classify as a “need” or “want” by placing the item under the appropriate sign. You may also hold up each item and ask for a volunteer to tell you where you should place the item.
2. Once all items are sorted:
 - Point to the “Needs” pile: **Do we have everything we need in this pile? What are some needs that are not represented here?**
 - Point to the “Wants” pile: **Is it okay to have the things we want? If you consider people who do not have all of their needs met, how does that affect your answer?**
 - **When we have more than we need, and others do not have enough, this is a form of injustice. What could we do to achieve greater justice in our communities?**