## **Sermon Based Small Group Questions**

Amos: Let Justice Roll



## **Opening**

1. Before we can live justly, we need to know where the injustice lies. Think about your city, your work, and your neighbourhood. Where do you see injustice taking place? (If there are any you want shared with the church, email them to <a href="mailto:david.groen@hopecommunity.ca">david.groen@hopecommunity.ca</a>)

## Going Deeper

Read Amos 1:1-2 & 2:4-16

- 1. What are some of your first impressions of this passage?
- 2. What do you make of the image of God as a roaring lion?
- 3. Amos 1 overviews the sin and injustice of all the nations surrounding Israel. What does this teach us about the character of God?
- 4. If Canada were included among the nations in Amos 1, what sins and injustice do you think would be named?
- 5. What is the first problem that God names about Judah in chapter 2?
  - a. How does this relate to all the other areas of sin and injustice?
  - b. How does this speak into our own lives today?
- 6. Dave mentioned that books like Amos often stir within us feelings of guilt about our lack of concern for the poor and vulnerable. How do we go about fostering hearts that pursue justice, and for the right reasons?
- 7. God often places particular burdens or passions on people's hearts to get involved in a particular area of justice/mercy. What has God placed on your heart? How are you responding to this burden/passion?

Close in Prayer