

## 2026-07-01 Discussion Questions

How does the concept of delayed judgment in Amos's prophecy (100-150 years before fulfillment) challenge our modern expectations of immediate consequences for sin?

In what ways do we, like the Israelites, mistake God's patience and grace for approval of our lifestyle choices?

Jesus knew His crucifixion was coming yet remained resolute and even accelerated His ministry in His final year. How can we apply this same forward-focused determination when facing our own inevitable trials or death?

The sermon suggests we should fear God in a healthy way rather than living casually as Christians. What is the difference between paralyzing fear and the reverent fear that leads to wisdom?

When disasters strike other nations or communities, why do we struggle to maintain genuine compassion, and how does this reveal our spiritual condition?

Adam and Eve experienced immediate spiritual death but delayed physical consequences after eating the forbidden fruit. How does this pattern of spiritual death preceding physical consequences play out in our own sins?

The sermon warns against assuming good circumstances mean we are walking with God, and bad circumstances mean we are not. How can we develop spiritual discernment that goes beyond our circumstances?

What does it mean to be emotionally stable through faith rather than riding an emotional roller coaster based on our situations?

How do we balance living with urgency for Christ while not living in constant dread of judgment or disaster?

The Israelites continued in sin despite warnings because nothing seemed to be happening immediately. What areas of your life might you be treating casually because you have not yet experienced consequences?