

**BIBLICAL READINGS**  
supplement to Shelmerdine  
**Chapter 16**

In his fierce prophecies to a complacent Jerusalem, Amos uses metaphors to emphasize the seriousness and immediacy of the Lord's punishment.

- 3 εἰ πορεύσονται δύο ἐπὶ τὸ αὐτὸ καθόλου ἐὰν μὴ γνωρίσωσιν ἑαυτούς;  
4 εἰ ἐρεύξεται λέων ἐκ τοῦ δρυμοῦ αὐτοῦ θήραν οὐκ ἔχων; εἰ δώσει σκύμνος φωνὴν αὐτοῦ ἐκ τῆς μάνδρας αὐτοῦ καθόλου ἐὰν μὴ ἀρπάσῃ τι;  
5 εἰ πεσεῖται ὄρνεον ἐπὶ τὴν γῆν ἄνευ ἰξευτοῦ; εἰ σχασθήσεται παγίς ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς ἄνευ τοῦ συλλαβεῖν τι;  
6 εἰ φωνήσῃ σάλπιγξ ἐν πόλει καὶ λαὸς οὐ πτοηθήσεται; εἰ ἔσται κακία ἐν πόλει ἣν κύριος οὐκ ἐποίησεν;  
7 διότι οὐ μὴ ποιήσῃ κύριος ὁ θεὸς πρᾶγμα, ἐὰν μὴ ἀποκαλύψῃ παιδείαν αὐτοῦ πρὸς τοὺς δούλους αὐτοῦ τοὺς προφήτας.  
8 λέων ἐρεύξεται, καὶ τίς οὐ φοβηθήσεται; κύριος ὁ θεὸς ἐλάλησεν, καὶ τίς οὐ προφητεύσει;

(Ἀμώς 3:3-8)

ἄνευ +gen. "without"  
ἀποκαλύψῃ "he reveals"  
ἀρπάσῃ "he snatches"  
γνωρίσωσιν "they know"  
διότι οὐ μὴ "of course not"  
δρυμός -οῦ ὁ "woods"  
δίδωμι, δώσω "give"  
ἐὰν = εἰ "if"  
ἑαυτούς "themselves"  
εἰ = introduces an impatient question  
ἐρεύγομαι "surge"  
ἔχων + acc. "with"  
θήρα -ας ἡ "beast, prey"  
ἰξευτής -οῦ ὁ "bird catcher"  
καθόλου "in general"  
κακία -ας ἡ "evil"  
κύριος -οῦ ὁ "lord"  
λαλέω "speak"  
λαός -οῦ ὁ "the people"  
λέων, λέοντος ὁ "lion"  
μάνδρα -ας ἡ "den"

ὄρνεον -οῦ τό "bird"  
παγίς, παγίδος ἡ "snare, trap"  
παιδεία -ας ἡ "training, plan"  
πίπτω, πεσοῦμαι, ἔπεσον "fall"  
ποιέω "do, make"  
ποιήσῃ "does"  
πρᾶγμα -ατος τό "business, activity"  
προφητεύω "prophecy"  
προφήτης -οῦ ὁ "prophet"  
πτοέω, πτοήσω, ἐπτοίησα, -, ἐπτοίημαι, ἐπτοίηθην "terrify, scare"  
σάλπιγξ, σάλπιγγος ἡ "trumpet"  
σκύμνος -οῦ ὁ "lion cub"  
συλλαμβάνω, -λήψομαι, -έλαβον "capture"  
σχάζω, σχάσω, ἔσχασα, -, -, ἐσχάσθην "leave"  
τι "something"  
τίς "who?"  
φοβέομαι, φοβήσομαι, ἐφοβησάμην, πεφόβημαι, ἐφοβήθην "fear"  
φονέω "make a sound"