

# All In – Seek Me and Live



ALL IN

LIVE A TOTALLY DIFFERENT LIFE

## Amos 5:4-8

- All in for God's One Way (Hebrews 11)
  - One way missionaries
  - One way to One way
  - One way destination
  - All in for a God who is unashamed of me in a world that is not worthy of me



- God has a God-sized life for us, but we are often lukewarm
- What if you are one decision away from a totally different life?



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# Amos 5:4-8

<sup>4</sup> For thus says the LORD to the house of Israel,  
“Seek Me that you may live.

<sup>5</sup> “But do not resort to Bethel  
And do not come to Gilgal,  
Nor cross over to Beersheba;

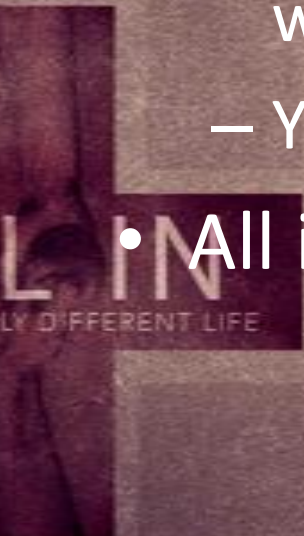
For Gilgal will certainly go into captivity  
And Bethel will come to trouble.

<sup>6</sup> “Seek the LORD that you may live,  
Or He will break forth like a fire, O house of Joseph,  
And it will consume with none to quench *it* for Bethel,

<sup>7</sup> For those who turn justice into wormwood  
And cast righteousness down to the earth.”

<sup>8</sup> He who made the Pleiades and Orion  
And changes deep darkness into morning,  
Who also darkens day *into* night,  
Who calls for the waters of the sea  
And pours them out on the surface of the earth,  
The LORD is His name.

- Prepare for Change (God's fire)
  - Fire destroys and purifies – both indicate change
- We must embrace change
  - We want God to change circumstances and others without changing us
  - Yesterdays' blessings remind us that God is now
- All in for change (2 Corinthians 3:18)



- Cling to the Life of the Lord
  - Salvation = dead in sin/alive through Christ
  - Heaven = eternity; life forever
  - Quality = kind of life you live now until then
  - Today = literally alive

- You will be all in for something/someone for life = worship
  - Are you all in, worshipping a “little g” god?
  - Or are you all in worshipping the “big G” God?
- What are you waiting for to be all in for God’s life in you?



- Let Go of the Past
  - Bethel: Jacob's ladder; Jacob to Israel; House of God
  - Gilgal: permanent camp in the promised land
  - Beersheba: Elijah's refuge
- All great moments and movements
  - God says, "Don't look for me there"

- BAD PAST
- God is the Lord of the past – he wants to redeem it and incorporate it into your life
  - He wants you to submit it to Him (let go and let God) – Isaiah 43:18-19
- Are you afraid of repeating past mistakes?
  - Failure is a great opportunity for perseverance and grace



- GOOD PAST
- What got you here probably won't get you there.



# Burn the Ships



- Once you're All In, you have to consistently eliminate the possibility of going back
  - To regret
  - To blame
  - To old way of life
- Stop asking for easy – the longer and harder the task, the more glory God gets (perseverance and commitment)
- Being All In, daily for the long haul, is an act of worship

- “But its hard; the waves are high, the wind is strong; I’m tired”
- “I want to: go back, stay here, live life my way”
- Disciples in a storm; Jesus appears; Peter walks on water
  - How long does it take to get out of the boat?
  - 20 seconds of instant courage