

**Dig Deeper @Home – “Planted (not buried)”**  
**Complement to sermon on 6/9/2019 – “A Call to Return”**

**ICE BREAKER – ask these to open dialogue and learn more about those gathered**

1. What are you most looking forward to about summer?
2. What was the best thing that’s happened to you so far in 2019?

**MEMORIZE – Amos 9:15**

I will plant them on their land, and they shall never again be uprooted out of the land that I have given them,” says the LORD your God.

**READ – Read Amos 6**

**Questions to ponder/discuss:**

1. What does this passage reveal about God? About humanity?
2. If the above is true, what needs to change in your life?
3. Chapter 6 begins with a woe to those who are indifferent and complacent to seeking justice.
  - a. What are the people doing instead of seeking justice? (hint: v3-6)
  - b. What things do we fill our lives with that keep us indifferent and complacent?
  - c. What needs to change so that you can intentionally seek justice in the places you live, work and play?
4. Verse 8 begins, “The LORD GOD has sworn by himself...” Look up Genesis 22: 15-20.
  - a. Compare and contrast what God swears in Genesis with what He swears in Amos.
  - b. Where is the comfort in knowing that God first swore the oath in Genesis 22 before the oath in Amos 6?
5. Read again verse 13. Now read 2<sup>nd</sup> Kings 14: 25-27.
  - a. What is God so upset about in verse 13?
  - b. What would be a better way for the people of Israel to have responded to the conquests of Lo Debar and Karnaim?
  - c. In what areas of your life do you take credit for things that God has accomplished? What can you do to give God the credit, glory and honor He is due?

### **Experiential: Seek Justice**

Spend time in prayer as an individual, with your spouse, your family or your small group. Ask the Lord to show you something you can do in the areas you live, work and play to make justice, to fill a need, to serve ... to declare the reign of God's kingdom. After prayer and discernment, do it. Put it into practice. Then share with 2 other people what God did in you and through you as you sought justice and proclaimed His kingdom. (And also tell Pastor Kris because he'd love to hear)

### **SING (suggested songs to sing. Use these or any song you might want to sing)**

Oh Praise the Name - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LqBpifDpNKc>

Praise Adonai - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JG-R4DjBtog>

I stand Amazed in the Presence – Mennonite Hymnal #540

### **PRAY**

This is a time to gather around for prayer requests and to share how you have seen God at work. A time to hear where God is showing up in our lives and where we need Him to help us in our lives.

### **Sending prayer based on the lesson:**

Go from here, as God's chosen race, as God's royal priesthood, as God's holy nation, as God's very own people. Go, proclaiming the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light, who gave new hope for life here and hereafter.