

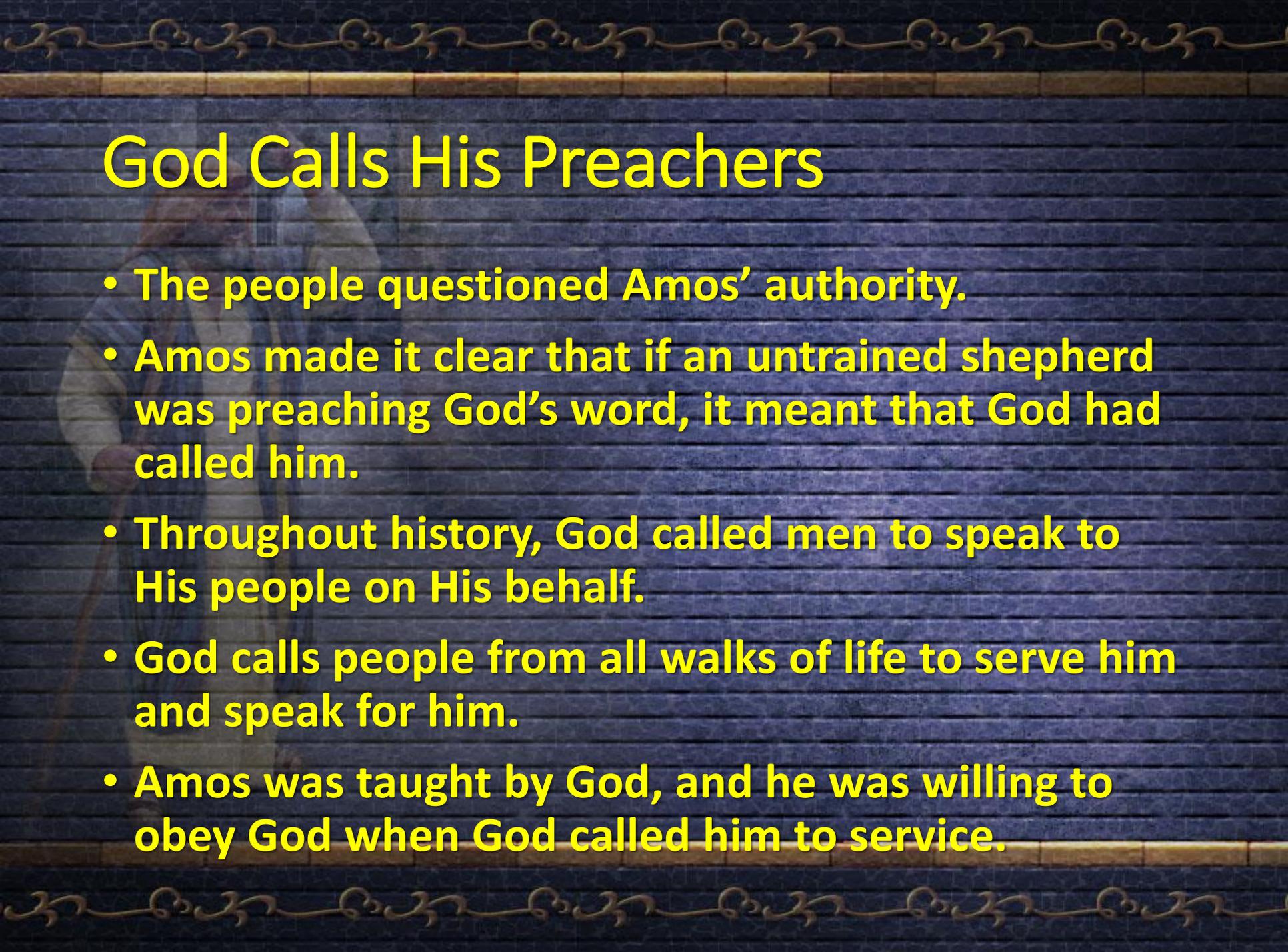
# Judgment On God's Elect

Amos 3:1-15



# God Calls His People

- Amos let his hearers know that what he had to say was from the Lord.
- The Lord addressed not just the northern nation of Israel but all of Israel, that is, Israel and Judah.
- God made it clear that he was in a covenant relationship with Israel (Israel and Judah) and no other people.
- God punished his people because of their sins.



# God Calls His Preachers

- The people questioned Amos' authority.
- Amos made it clear that if an untrained shepherd was preaching God's word, it meant that God had called him.
- Throughout history, God called men to speak to His people on His behalf.
- God calls people from all walks of life to serve him and speak for him.
- Amos was taught by God, and he was willing to obey God when God called him to service.

# God Calls for Witnesses

- God ordered Amos to summon the Philistines and Egyptians to view His judgment on Israel.
- The sins of Israel were so notorious, God wanted everyone to know about them.
- God called for witnesses from pagan nations to observe the iniquity of His people, but that He dealt fairly with all nations..
- Sin is never hidden from God.
- One day we will stand before our Creator and Judge, and all of heaven will bear witness to our sin and failure.

# God Calls for Judgment

- Less than forty years later, in 722 BC, Israel fell to Assyria and was taken into exile and they never returned.
- Judah eventually fell to the Babylonians in 586 BC, however, a remnant did return in 516 BC.
- The “horns of the altar,” which were symbols of God’s mercy, would be destroyed.
- No more mercy; no more grace for the nation, and no more nation.

# Conclusion

- Having analyzed God's divine calls, we need to commit ourselves to covenant faithfulness.
- Each of us must examine ourselves to see that we are indeed a Christian.
- If you are a Christian, do not presume upon God's grace; live in obedience to Him every day of your life.