

***What Is Seeking God All About?***

***Amos 5:1-6***

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**Deuteronomy 4:29 (NLT)**

*But from there you will search again for the LORD your God. And if you search for him with all your heart and soul, you will find him.*

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**Psalms 105:4 (NIV)**

*Look to the LORD and his strength; seek his face always.*

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**Isaiah 55:6 (NIV)**

*Seek the LORD while he may be found; call on him while he is near.*

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**Luke 11:10 (NIV)**

*For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened.*

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**Amos 5:1 - 6 (NLT)**

*Listen, you people of Israel! Listen to this funeral song I am singing:*

*“The virgin Israel has fallen,  
never to rise again!*

*She lies abandoned on the ground,  
with no one to help her up.”*

*The Sovereign LORD says:*

*“When a city sends a thousand men to  
battle, only a hundred will return.*

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*When a town sends a hundred,  
only ten will come back alive.”  
Now this is what the LORD says to the  
family of Israel:  
“Come back to me and live!  
Don’t worship at the pagan altars at  
Bethel;  
don’t go to the shrines at Gilgal or  
Beersheba.  
For the people of Gilgal will be dragged  
off into exile,*

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*and the people of Bethel will be reduced  
to nothing.”  
Come back to the LORD and live!  
Otherwise, he will roar through Israel like  
a fire,  
devouring you completely.  
Your gods in Bethel  
won’t be able to quench the flames.*

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**The significance to three  
locations...**  
• *Bethel*  
• *Gilgal*  
• *Beersheba*

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So What?

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From this passage we conclude that Seeking After God is NOT...

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➤ Coming to the place of worship

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➤ A place to remember what  
God has done

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**Amos 5:14 - 15 (NLT)**

*Do what is good and run from evil so that you may live! Then the LORD God of Heaven's Armies will be your helper, just as you have claimed. Hate evil and love what is good; turn your courts into true halls of justice. Perhaps even yet the LORD God of Heaven's Armies will have mercy on the remnant of his people.*

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***What will this take?***

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We must be a Church where  
Bible Study and Prayer is a  
major priority.

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We must not rest our future  
on what used to be. While  
the past can inform us in  
many ways, we must never  
let the past be our only  
guide for the future.

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**1 Chronicles 16:8 - 11 (NIV)**

*Give thanks to the LORD, call on his  
name; make known among the nations  
what he has done.*

*Sing to him, sing praise to him;  
tell of all his wonderful acts.*

*Glory in his holy name;  
let the hearts of those who seek the  
LORD rejoice. Look to the LORD and his  
strength; seek his face always.*

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