## The Lord Roars I Abhor the Pride of Jacob Amos 6:8-14

**Question:** What does God think of our pride?

- I. God's Oath Concerning Israel's Pride and its Effects (8-11)
- II. The Absurdity of Israel's Pride and its Effects (12-14)
  - A. Absurd questions reveal the absurdity of their lives (12)
  - B. Absurd boasts reveal the absurdity of their pride (13)
  - C. The effects of their pride: judgement (14)

"apart from me you can do nothing" (Jesus' words to his disciples Jn. 15:5b)

"What do you have that you did not receive? If then you received it, why do you boast as if you did not receive it?" (Paul's words to the Corinthians 1Cor. 4:7b)

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**Point to Ponder:** In what ways might pride subtly creep into our own life? Paul asked the Corinthian believers the question: "What do you have that you did not receive?" I'm convinced that if we repeatedly ask this question of ourselves, we might find that humility and thanksgiving might spring up in our hearts instead of ugly and absurd pride.

**Next Week:** Next Sunday we will continue our sermon series entitled *The Lord Roars* by considering **Amos 7:1-17** 'Visions that Demand a Response.'

