

# HOSEA

## Background Information

### I. The Man

- A. His name means “Salvation”
- B. Area – Ephraim or Manasseh
- C. Father’s name – Beeri – probably a middle-class merchant
- D. Education – intellectual qualities and spiritual vision

### II. The Ministry

- A. Date: 755 – 710 BC
- B. Rulers during his ministry
  - a. Uzziah (783-743 BC)
  - b. Jotham (742-735 BC)
  - c. Ahaz (735-715 BC)
  - d. Hezekiah (715-686 BC)
- C. Contemporary prophets
  - a. Amos
  - b. Isaiah
  - c. Micah

### III. The Message

To recall wayward Israel to its obligations to worship only Jehovah (Deut 28)

### IV. Interesting Facts

- A. Only writings to come from the Northern Kingdom.
- B. The nation is prosperous from a material state point.
- C. The personal illustration of his unfaithful wife.
- D. Israel was a puppet state of Assyrians.
- E. Key words – sin, judgment and salvation

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# HOSEA 1 & 2

Hosea 2:6

Therefore, behold, I will hedge up thy way with thorns, and make a wall,  
that she shall not find her paths.

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Read – Hosea 1:1-5

Examine –

1. Who wrote this Book?
2. List the 5 kings he mentions?
  
3. What kind of wife was he to marry?
4. Why was he to do this?
5. What was his wife's name?
6. What was the first son's name?
7. Of what was the son a picture?
8. Who was Jehu?
9. Who was a wicked king that was his descendant?
10. What will God break?

Apply-

Israel's sin was gross in God's sight and He would judge it. Hosea in his marriage pictures this. If you were Hosea, would you have obeyed God?

Name some hard things God has asked you to do.

We need to follow Hosea's example in obeying hard things.

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Read – Hosea 1:6-11

Examine –

1. What was the daughter's name?
2. What will God no longer have on Israel?
3. On whom will He have mercy?
4. How will God save Judah?
5. What will He not use?
6. What is the second son's name?
7. What is God telling them through this child?
8. How is the number of the children of Israel?
9. Will God always cast them off?
10. Will the kingdom ever be united?
11. What will they do?

BONUS: What and where is Jezreel?

Apply-

All of Hosea's family was a reminder of Israel's sin.

What is your life a reminder of?

What scars are you making now?

Are you heading down a path that the whole world will see your scars?

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Read – Hosea 2:1-5

Examine –

1. What two names are used here?
2. Do these sound familiar?
3. With whom are they to plead?
4. What should she put away?
5. What will God do to her if she doesn't?
6. To what does He liken her?
7. What will He not have mercy on?
8. Why?
9. What has their mother done?
10. What will she go after?
11. What 6 things do they “provide” for her?

Apply-

Your sin never just affects you. Remember that.

It's also important to note that God publicly embarrassed what was privately done.

Do you have unconfessed, private sins?

Confess each one to God, right now. (1 John 1:9)

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Read – Hosea 2:6-13

Examine –

1. What will God do to her way?
2. What about her paths?
3. Who shall she not over take?
4. Where does she decide to go?
5. Why?
6. What did he give her? (5 things)
  
7. What did she do with it?
8. What will he do to her?
9. Who will deliver her?
10. What area of life did verse 11 represent?
11. What area did verse 12 represent?
12. What did she substitute for God?
13. According to verse 13, who has been speaking all this time?

FACT: Remember Hosea's relationship is just a picture of Israel and how God feels.

Apply-

Israel thought that she had it made forgetting God, but she didn't realize that her provisions were God's goodness all along. What are some things that Satan has tricked you into believing?

What does God think about each of the above things you listed?

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Read – Hosea 2: 14-18

Examine –

1. What will he do to her?
2. Where would he bring her?
3. How would he speak?
4. What would he give her?
5. What will she do in the valley?
6. What will they call God?
7. What will they not call him?
8. What will he take away?
9. With whom will God make a covenant?
10. What will he break?
11. How will they lie down?

Apply-

After all they have done to God, He still has a glimmer of hope that they will repent. If they do He will pardon and restore. How good God is!!! How have you responded to His goodness? (Name some specifics)

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Read – Hosea 2:19-23

Examine –

1. The betrothal will be in what 5 things?
2. What does he want them to know?
3. What will God heal?
4. What shall they hear?
5. What will the earth hear?

FACT: Jezreel was the fertile valley in which Israel received all of its food. Without this valley they were hungry.

6. On whom will he have mercy?
7. To whom will he speak?
8. What will he say?
9. What will be there response?

NOTE: The ultimate fulfillment of this passage will be the Second Coming after the tribulation.

Apply-

Even though they have been unfaithful God will betroth (the engagement) them. He will provide their needs and be their God.

How are you faithful to God?

He is soooo good to us. Will you be good to Him?

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Read – Review

Examine –

1. What were the names of Hosea's family?
2. What was / is his wife's name?
3. Did his children's names represent anything? If so, what?
4. Chapter 2 is referring to \_\_\_\_\_.
5. What 2 character qualities of God are predominant in this passage?

Apply-

What did you learn about God?

What should change in your life as a result of this?

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# HOSEA 3 & 4

Hosea 4:6

My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge:  
because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee,  
that thou shalt be no priest to me:  
seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God,  
I will also forget thy children.

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Read – Hosea 3:1-5

Examine –

Note: We now look back for the last time to Hosea's relationship with his wife.

1. What is Hosea commanded to do?
2. What is she?
3. How is he to love her?
4. What did Hosea have to do?
5. How much did it cost him?

The total was probably 30 shekels – the price of a slave.

FACT: She may have been a temple prostitute or a slave to a man.

6. What did Hosea want her to do?
7. Was this reasonable?
8. What was this picturing?
9. What 6 things would they do without?
10. What will Israel eventually do?
11. What will happen in the latter days?

Apply-

God bought us on the slave market of sin. Therefore, we ought to be solely for Him. Are you for Him or are you selling yourself to Satan?

Is your all on the altar?

If so, what tempts you most to take some back?

If not, what is keeping you from giving your all?

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Read – Hosea 4:1-3

Examine –

1. What are they to hear?
2. Who is to hear it?
3. What does God have with Israel?
4. Why? (3 things)

Does this sound like God's people?

5. How many specific violations does he mention here?
6. Name them.

7. Do the commandments in Exodus 20 address these?

NOTE: The phrase “blood toucheth blood” probably refers to sins on top of sins.

8. What will happen to the land?
9. What is everyone going to do?
10. Define Languish-

11. What 3 other “things” are affected?

Apply-

Does truth, mercy and a knowledge of God describe you, or would the list in verse 2 be a better description? Look back over the last 24 hours. Write down your actions and see which best describes you.

To know God should be our ultimate goal. Phil. 3:10

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Read – Hosea 4:4-6

Examine –

1. Was anyone qualified to rebuke?
2. What are they doing with the priest?
3. When will they fall?
4. Who will fall at night?
5. What will God destroy?
6. How are the people destroyed?
7. What did they reject?

NOTE: They had knowledge but rejected it.

8. What will God do?
9. Who specifically will he reject?
10. What did they forget?
11. What will God forget?

NOTE: This probably refers to them being able to carry on the wicked priestly line.

Apply-

Most of you have a lot of Bible knowledge but are you living by it?

Do you apply what you already know?

List 4 commands below that you know but struggle with doing.

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Read – Hosea 4:7-11

Examine –

1. The more priest they had, they had more \_\_\_\_\_.
2. What will God change into shame?
3. OPINION: What do you think their glory was?
4. They refer to the priest. How did they eat up the sin of the people?  
(You may look at how the priest were paid and so forth)
5. On what was their heart set?
6. Who were the people imitating?
7. What will God do?
8. When they eat what will happen?
9. When they commit whoredoms, what will happen?
10. What takes away the heart?

Apply-

The people were following the example of leadership. Both leaders and people would be punished. Always follow God's word rather than man's word.

Does your life match God's Word?

- In obedience to parents –
- In being kind one to another –
- In preferring others better than yourself –
- In daily devotions –
- In spreading the Gospel –
- In not having pride –

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Read – Hosea 4:12-14

Examine –

1. Where are they seeking counsel?
2. What declares to them?
3. These were used in idol worship
4. What has caused them to err?
5. Who have they left?
6. Where were they sacrificing and burning incense? (2 places)
7. What kind of trees are mentioned here?
8. What will the daughters do?
9. What will the wives do?
10. This also was a part of their worship.
11. Will he separate just the ladies to punish?
12. Who will fall?

Apply-

The people are open with their sin. There appears to be no shame. Are you ashamed of your sin?

Do you just pass over it?

Name to God your sin specifically.

Be serious about your sin.

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Read – Hosea 4:15-19

Examine –

1. Who is playing the harlot?
2. Who should not offend?
3. Where should they not come? (2 places)
  
4. To what is Israel compared?
5. What would God do for them?
6. To what is Ephraim joined?
7. What does God say to do?
8. What is sour?
9. How are her rulers?
10. This is literally that they love their shame.
11. What has the wind done?
12. Of what will they be ashamed?

Apply-

God says leave them alone. They have gone too far. One day God will no longer deal with people in His mercy. It will run out.

Is God getting short with you?

Are you blinded to your own sin?

Ask God to show you some sin that you are not aware of.

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Read – Review

Examine –

1. How should Hosea love his wife?
2. How did he get her back?
3. There were 3 things in 4:1 that they were missing. Name them.
  
4. How are the people destroyed?
5. What did they set their heart to do?
6. Where were they worshipping?
7. Who was playing the harlot?
8. What tragic thing does God say in verse 17?
9. Of what will they be ashamed?

Apply-

This is a sad 2 chapters for God's chosen people.

Where are you?

If you are His child, are you living in opposition to Him?

How have you broken God's heart in the last few days?

Don't continue to break His heart as Israel did.

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# HOSEA 5-6

Hosea 6:6

For I desired mercy, and not sacrifice;  
and the knowledge of God more than burnt offerings.

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Read – Hosea 5:1-4

Examine –

1. What three groups of people does he address?
2. What is toward them?
3. What two places does he mention here?
4. Bonus: What is the significance of these places?
5. What similar things had they done in both places?
6. Who is making slaughter here?  
NOTE: To “make slaughter” can refer to human sacrifice! It probably does here.
7. What has God done to them?
8. Who does he know?
9. Who is not hid from Him?
10. What does Ephraim commit?
11. What is Israel?
12. What will they not stop doing?
13. To whom will they not turn?
14. What is in the midst of them?
15. Who have they not known?

Apply-

Do you refuse to repent of your sin?

Do you know the Lord?

How are you listening to what God says?

Ask God to make you sensitive to His voice?

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Read – Hosea 5: 5-8

Examine –

1. What testifies to their face?
2. What three groups of people will fall?
3. In what will they fall?
4. Who will they eventually seek?
5. Will they find Him?
6. Why will they not find Him?
7. How have they dealt against the Lord?
8. What have they begotten?
9. Check on the end of verse 7?
10. What two things are they to blow?
11. In what two places are they to blow them?
12. What is significant about this? (You probably will need to do some research)
13. Where are they to cry?

Apply-

What a horrible thing for God to withdraw from us. Is he withdrawing from you?

How are you seeking Him while he can be found?

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Read – Hosea 5:9-12

Examine –

1. Who will he deal with first?
2. What will he make them?
3. When will this happen?
4. Where has He made His plans clear?
5. Who does He address next?

BONUS: What does it mean to remove the bound?

6. What will he pour on them?
7. What two things does he say about Ephraim?
8. Why is he in this condition?

NOTE: “Command” means command, ordinance, oracle (meaning dubious), used in mocking mimicry of Isaiah's words and thus not a true divine command.

9. What will he be to Ephraim?
10. What will he be to Judah?

Apply-

For what is God going to judge you?

Will He pour you out like water?

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Read – Hosea 5: 13-15

Examine –

1. What did Ephraim see?
2. What did Judah see?
3. What country and king did they go for help?
4. Could he do anything for them?
5. What will he be to Ephraim?
6. What will he be to Judah?
7. What will God do to them?
8. Who will rescue them?
9. Where will God go?
10. How long will he be there? (2 things)

11. When should they seek him?

Apply-

Do you go to others for your help?

Do you acknowledge your problems to others or God?

Will you seek His face?                      How?

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Read – Hosea 6: 1-6

Examine –

1. What is Hosea's plea?
2. What will God do for them?
3. What will God do after two days?
4. What will God do after three days?
5. Note: This is probably an indication of the shortness of time until this happens.
6. How can they and we know God?
7. What is prepared as the morning?
8. How will he come?
9. Bonus: What did these rains do for people?
10. How long does their commitment to do good last?
11. How has he hewed them?
12. How has he slain them?
13. How far reaching will His judgments be?
14. What did God want instead of sacrifice?
15. What did he want more than burnt offering?
16. Of what is this a contrast?

Apply-

How are you keeping some of the decisions you've made in the past? (Be specific)

Do they leave like the morning dew?

Are you all outward with nothing substantial inside?

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Read – Hosea 6:7-11

Examine –

1. Who are we all like?
2. What have they transgressed?
3. How have they dealt with God?
4. How is Gileads work described?
5. With what is it polluted?
6. What do the priest do in the way?
7. Do they have permission?
8. Define Lewdness –
  
9. What has God seen in the house of Israel?
10. What is this horrible thing?
11. Describe some things that you know about a harvest:

These will happen to Judah.

Apply-

What kind of harvest are you going to have?

Are you preparing for a good or bad harvest now?

What planting do you need to change?

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Read – Hosea 5-6 - Review

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2. What is toward them?
3. What does Ephraim commit?
4. Who have they not known?
5. What testifies against Israel?
6. Why will they not find God?
7. List the several natural ways God describes His wrath or judgment?
  
8. Will the people return to God?
9. How will God respond?
10. What two things does God desire from us?
  
11. List three sins (there are more) these people committed after God told them He wanted to see them repent?
  
12. Is harvest pretty much a set time?  
Note: So is God's judgment!

Apply-

Are you doing outward things while your inside is “rotten”?

Are you all that people think you are?

God can see you and He is planning to reward you for what you really are!

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# HOSEA 7-8

Hosea 8:7

For they have sown the wind, and they shall reap the whirlwind:  
it hath no stalk: the bud shall yield no meal:  
if so be it yield, the strangers shall swallow it up.

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Read – Hosea 7:1-4

Examine –

1. What two things did God discover as He was going to heal Israel?
2. What did they commit?
3. Who is coming in?
4. Where is the troop of robbers?
5. What are they doing?
6. Note: They were so opposed to God's laws that they did it with all watching!
7. What did they not consider?
8. Where were they to consider this?
9. What has taken them captive?
10. Who are they before?
11. How does the king respond to all this?
12. What are all of them?
13. What does he liken them?

NOTE: Although Israel would appear to back off their sin from time to time, it really is just like an oven that is waiting for the bread to be cooked in it! It may not be flaming right now but it could be very quickly.

Apply-

Do you realize that God is watching your every move?

Do you live your life as before God's face?

How many times do you consciously think of God's eyes being on you?

Have you been in sin so long that it has you trapped?

Ask God for deliverance!

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Read – Hosea 7:5-10

Examine –

Note: As we look at this passage today, it's important to note that in this period (20 years) 4 Israelite kings were assassinated.

In light of the above comment, what do you think was one of the ways they killed the king?

1. Define Scorer –
2. What is their heart like?
3. When does the flame fire up?
4. What two groups of people have they killed?
5. What is there none of in their midst?
6. With whom has Ephraim mixed?
7. Who has devoured his strength?
8. Does Ephraim know it?
9. What else is happening to Ephraim?
10. What is a testament against Ephraim?
11. Did all this work?

Apply-

Although they have gone through all this and have all these signs, they still did not repent! One of their problems was that they could not see their problem. They were blinded by their sin. ARE YOU?

You may not even realize it.

Ask God to show it to you right now.

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Read – Hosea 7: 11-16

Examine –

1. To what else does God compare Ephraim?
2. What does it not have?
3. Who are they looking to for help?
4. What will God spread over them?
5. What three things does God say they have done in verse 13?
6. What did they not do with all their heart?
7. Where were they mourning?
8. For what did they assemble themselves?
9. What do you think this means? (Call Pastor Ogle with answer)  
NOTE: “Bound” means to chasten!
10. What did God do after he bound them?  
NOTE: God is saying that He chastened them and then let them go stronger!
11. What did they still do?
12. Did they return?
13. To whom did they not return?
14. What will happen to their princes?

Apply-

Notice the second line in verse 16. They are like a deceitful bow. They are off target. They can't shoot straight. When have you called to God with your whole heart?

Jeremiah 29:13 - *“And ye shall seek me, and find me, when ye shall search for me with all your heart.”* God wants all of us not part!

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Read – Hosea 8:1-4

Examine –

NOTE: The house of the LORD is probably referring to Israel as a whole.

1. In Bible days, for what was a trumpet used?
2. How will the enemy come?
3. Why is this happening?
4. What will Israel say about God?
5. Do they really?
6. What has Israel cast off?
7. What will be the enemy's response?
8. What did they set up?
9. Did God approve of these things?
10. What did they do with the gold and silver?
11. To what would this lead?

Apply-

God seems to be emphasizing that a casual “genie god” mentality will not work for Him!

This is what most of Christianity is today.

How do you treat Him as a genie?

Do you daily spend time with Him when nothing big is happening?

This is what He longs for most.

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Read – Hosea 8:5-9

Examine –

1. Who does God address now?
2. What do you think He is referring to when He says calf?
3. What is against them?
4. Will this calf ever make them pure?
5. Who made the calves?
6. Therefore it can not be \_\_\_\_\_.
7. What will happen to the calf?
8. What have they sown?
9. What will they reap?
10. What will this do to their crops?
11. If they happen to get crops what will happen to them?
12. What will Israel become among the Gentiles?
13. Who do they buy off? (II Kings 15:19)
14. What has Ephraim bought?

Apply-

What are you trusting in to make you pure?

What are you sowing now that will bring bad results in the future?

Remember you always reap later and more than you sow!

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Read – Hosea 8:10-14

Examine –

1. Will the protection bought from other countries help them?
2. Of what has Ephraim made many?
3. What will these be to them?
4. What did God write to them?
5. How did they respond?
6. Did they follow the sacrifice code properly?

NOTE: Only the priests were to eat the leftovers, and they had restrictions. (Exodus 29:31-34)

7. Did God accept it?
8. What will God remember?
9. Where will they have to go?
10. What has Israel forgotten?
11. What have they and Judah built?
12. What will God send in judgment?
13. What will be the result?

Apply-

God has given us more than He gave Israel. We have more of His Word, more access to the Bible, church, Christian resources, and more. Do you think our punishment will be any less?

How is your life in genuine fellowship with God?

Ask Him to forgive and He will abundantly pardon!

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Read – Hosea - Review

Examine –

Chapter 7

1. Who is God primarily talking about in this passage?
2. How many times is the word HEART used in this passage?
3. What kind of cooking terms does God use a lot to describe this situation?
4. List some of them:
  
5. How will God catch them?
6. When they returned, to whom did they go?

Chapter 8

1. What warning are they going to hear?
2. Do they claim to know God?
3. What has Samaria and Israel built with their hands?
4. They have sown wind therefore they will reap what?
5. What had they hired as protection?
6. What will God use as His judgment?
7. What will it do?

Apply-

What has struck me in this passage is that we are so much like Israel. We don't think God will judge us or turn His back on us.

Lord, help us to not be so complacent!!

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# HOSEA 9 & 10

Hosea 10:12

Sow to yourselves in righteousness, reap in mercy;  
break up your fallow ground: for *it is* time to seek the LORD,  
till he come and rain righteousness upon you.

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Read – Hosea 9:1-4

Examine –

1. What is Israel not to do?  
Other nations did not know God!
2. Could other people joy?
3. What term does God use to describe their forsaking?
4. What have they loved?  
NOTE: “Reward” means the hire of a prostitute, price; of idolatrous Israel, Jerusalem
5. The next verse is figuratively speaking. Would these things satisfy them?
6. Where will they not dwell?
7. What is the LORD’S land?
8. What two places will they end up?
9. What will they do in Assyria?
10. What will they not offer?
11. Will they be able to please Him?
12. Where will their bread never enter?

Apply-

Saved people can never again enjoy sin like they used to enjoy it. Do you enjoy sin?

When is the last time you have conviction when you sinned?

When is the last time you thanked God for this conviction?

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Read – Hosea 9:5-9

Examine –

1. This is in captivity, how will they celebrate their feast days?
2. Why are they gone?
3. Who will gather them?
4. Who will bury them?
5. What will replace their silver?
6. What will be in their tabernacles?
7. What has come?
8. Will they know it?
9. What is the prophet?
10. What is the spiritual man?
11. Why is he this way?
12. Who was with God?
13. What were the prophets?
14. What have they done?  
NOTE: Judges 19:22 tells us that their sin was homosexuality.
15. How would God respond to this?

Apply-

Do you consider yourself a spiritual person?

One way of knowing this is, how do the ungodly treat you?

Do you treat God's preachers with contempt?

Remember God will visit your sins.

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Read – Hosea 9:10-14

Examine –

1. If you found grapes in the wilderness, what would be your response?

NOTE: God took special delight in Israel!

2. What was Israel's response to God's delight?
3. What were their abominations like?
4. What will happen to Ephraim's glory?
5. According to the next part of the verse what do you think was their glory?
6. What will God do to their children?
7. What will not be left?
8. God says woe, when?
9. When Ephraim gives birth where will their children go?
10. What do the people wish God would do to them?
11. Of what is this always a sign?

NOTE: Some people think that things were so bad that the people were asking not to have children!

Apply-

Have you ever had something that you thought would bring real delight to you, and it ended up being a hurtful thing?

Imagine God's feelings in respect to Israel. How does He feel towards you?

Are you a disappointment to God?

Will you determine to be God's delight today?

How can you accomplish this?

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Read – Hosea 9:15-17; 10:1

Examine –

NOTE: Gilgal was the first site of an Israelite camp west of the Jordan, east of Jerico. Here Samuel was judge and Saul was made king. It was later used for illicit worship.

1. Where was all their wickedness?
2. What strong word does God used to describe
3. His feelings about them?
4. From what will God drive them?
5. Who is smitten?
6. What will they not do?
7. If they should do this, what would God do?
8. What will God do in verse 17?
9. Why?
10. What will they be in other nations?
11. What kind of vine is Israel?
12. What did they do with the increase that God had given them?

Apply-

What do you do with what God has given you?

How are you using His talents and abilities for your own use?

Would you ask God to help you use your abilities for His glory?

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Read – Hosea 10:2-6

Examine –

NOTE: Beth-aven = house of vanity

1. What is divided?
2. What will God find about them?
3. What will He do to their altars and images?
4. Why do they not have a king?
5. Could a king help them?
6. In what did they swear falsely?
7. Define Hemlock –
  
8. What springs up on them?
9. Who will fear?
10. Why will they fear?
11. What will be the people's response to the captivity of their idol?
12. Where will it be carried?
13. Who will get it as a present?
14. What will Israel and Ephraim feel as a result?

Apply-

How is your heart?

Paul said, "this one thing I do." What are you doing?

Are you divided?

How are you trying to serve God and the world too?

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Read – Hosea 10:7-10

Examine –

1. Whose king is cut off?
2. Which one is the real meaning for Aven:
  - A. A city in Egypt, possibly On
  - B. Bethel with its calf worship
  - C. A town or region in Syria
  - D. All of these
3. What will happen to this place?
4. What will grow on their altars?
5. What is the sin of Gideah? (Look back to previous devotions)
6. Did the battle that took place convince anyone of the wrongs of sin?
7. What does God desire?
8. What will be gathered against them?
9. Define Furrow –
10. Why are there two of them?

Apply-

God always judges sin. We must never forget this. If we do, we will be taught a lesson.  
Does the way others judge sin demonstrate anything to you?

Will you learn from others or have to learn for yourself?

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Read – Hosea 10:11- 15

Examine – \*There will be no review this week because the passage is too long!

1. To what is Ephraim compared?
2. What do we know about the heifer?
3. What does she love to do?
4. List what God will have each one of the below to do:  
Ephraim –  
Judah –  
Jacob –
5. What does God encourage them to sow?
6. What will they reap as a result?
7. What should they break up?
8. For what is it time?
9. How long should they seek Him?
10. What have they plowed?
11. So now what are they reaping?
12. What are they eating and why?
13. What will arise among them?
14. What will happen in relation to mothers and children?
15. What will happen to the king of Israel?

Apply-

What are you sowing?

What kind of fruit will you eat?

Are you seeking the LORD?

Will you please repent so God doesn't have to treat you this way?

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# HOSEA 11&12

Hosea 11:7

And my people are bent to backsliding from me:  
though they called them to the most High, none at all would exalt *him*.

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Read – Hosea 11:1-4

Examine –

1. What does God call Israel?
2. What do we know about a child?
3. Who did God call out of Egypt?
4. Was His son Israel or Jesus? (See Matthew 2:13-15).
5. What is the best commentary on the Bible?
6. Do you think Hosea understood all that he was writing?
7. Although God loved and cared for them, how did they treat Him?
8. To whom did they sacrifice?
9. What did God teach Ephraim?
10. What did they not know?
11. How did God draw them?
12. What did He provide for them?

NOTE: This sounds just like God is a father telling His children what He did for them and begging them to return!

Apply-

How do you treat your earthly mother and father, after all they have done for you?

Are you breaking their heart?

How do you treat your heavenly father?

Are you breaking His heart?

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Read – Hosea 11:5-8

Examine –

1. Where would they not go?
2. Who would be their king?
3. What would abide in the cities?
4. What will it do to them?
5. Why is God doing all this?
6. What are the people bent to doing?
7. To whom were they called?
8. Did anyone exalt Him?
9. In verse 8, does it sound like God wants to do this?
10. To what two places does He compare their destruction?
11. What is turned within Him?
12. What is kindled together?

Apply-

Here we see God's mercy and compassion! What a God we have!

Are you bent to backsliding?

How do you exalt God?

Do you show this to others?

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Read – Hosea 11:9-12

Examine –

1. What will God not do?
2. What will He not destroy?
3. Why would He act this way?
4. What does He call Himself?
5. Where is He?
6. Where will He not enter?

NOTE: For their sake, it is good that God did not pour out all of His wrath. If He had, there would be nothing left. It is also important to note that in the next few verses God is looking to the future!

7. Will they one day seek Him?
8. As what will He roar?
9. How will the nations respond to this?
10. Where will God put Israel?

BACK TO REALITY!

11. How does Ephraim surround God?
12. How does Israel surround God?
13. What is true of Judah?

NOTE: This will evidently change as well!

Apply-

Are you glad that God does not treat you the way you deserve?

What do we all deserve?

Name some things He has given you that you do not deserve?

When is the last time you thanked Him for that?

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Read – Hosea 12:1-3

Examine –

1. On what is Ephraim feeding?

2. What do they follow after?

NOTE: The east wind is strong, vehement wind that burns and blasts, noxious and harmful.

3. In what is he daily increasing?

4. With whom did they make a covenant?

5. At the same time, what did they do to impress Egypt?

6. Now with whom does God have a controversy?

7. How will He recompense him?

8. What unique thing did Jacob do coming out of the womb?

9. What did he have with God?

NOTE: “Strength” probably refers to the passage in Genesis 32:24-30! Turn and read. Then answer the following questions.

10. Could this “man” beat Jacob?

11. To what was Jacob’s name changed?

12. Jacob had power with whom?

13. What was this “man’s” name?

NOTE: I believe this was the preincarnate Christ! We will continue this tomorrow!

Apply-

What good does eating wind do you?

In what are you daily increasing?

Do you realize that God will recompense you for all you do whether good or bad?

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Read – Hosea 12:4-9

Examine –

1. Go back and review the last few questions from yesterday's passage!
2. What does this passage say he had power over?
3. What two things did he do unto the angel?
4. Where were they?
5. Who does this passage say the angel was?
6. What is He called in verse 5?
7. Because of this they should do what?
8. What should they keep?
9. Who should they wait on?
10. For how long?
11. For these last few verses God has turned His attention to Jacob and all the opportunities and benefits God gave them. None of this seemed to affect them. As a merchant, what did they do?
12. What did they love to do?
13. In what was Ephraim trusting?
14. Did they think they had sin?
15. How does God describe himself in this passage?
16. Where will He make them to dwell?

NOTE: This refers to the days when they did not have much and lived in tents.

Apply-

When was the last time you were willing to wait on God?

Do you keep mercy and judgment?                      How are you trusting in your riches?

How do you show that you care that God has done so much for you?

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Read – Hosea 12:10-14

Examine –

1. What did God use to speak to them?
2. What did He multiply?
3. What else did He use?
4. Define Similitude –
5. Where is found iniquity?  
NOTE: This was the place where priests lived and were supposed to be Holy!
6. How is their worship here?
7. Where do they have altars?
8. He is back to Jacob's story. For what did Jacob serve?
9. Just as God brought Jacob out, He also brought Israel out of where?
10. To what did Ephraim provoke God?
11. What will God leave on him?
12. What will God return on him?

Apply-

Are you going through church and spiritual things with no heart?

Is it all vanity?

How are you being a hypocrite?

God can see all that we do!

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Weekly memory verse – Hosea 11:7

Time spent in prayer \_\_\_\_\_

Read – Hosea - Review

Examine –

Chapter 11

1. Who came out of Egypt?
2. What kind of language does God use to describe His dealings with them?
3. Who would be their king?
4. What would abide in their cities?
5. What are the people bent on doing?
6. What would none of them do?
7. Would God let His entire wrath out?
8. How would the nations eventually respond to God?
9. Who is still faithful?

Chapter 12

1. Who feeds on wind?
2. What alliance did they make?
3. What earlier Old Testament person does God use throughout this passage?
4. What four things should they do according to verse 6?
5. In what was Ephraim trusting?
6. Name three ways God had spoken to them?
  
7. What would God bring on him?

Apply-

How do 11:7 and 12:6 apply to your life right now?

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# HOSEA 13-14

Hosea 14:9

Who *is* wise, and he shall understand these *things*?  
prudent, and he shall know them?  
for the ways of the LORD *are* right, and the just shall walk in them:  
but the transgressors shall fall therein.

THE THINGS I WANT TO ACCOMPLISH THIS WEEK!!!

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Weekly memory verse – Hosea 14:9

Time spent in prayer \_\_\_\_\_

Read – Hosea 13:1-4

Examine –

1. When was Ephraim exalted?
2. What do you think this means?
3. When did he die?
4. What is happening to their sin?
5. What have they made of their silver?
6. How were their idols made?
7. Whose work is this?
8. What should the men do?

NOTE: In many false religions today, people kiss toes of idols. It shows the foolishness of these things.

9. What four things does God say they will be like?
10. What happens to the dew?
11. What happens to the chaff?
12. In essence how long does each one of these things last?
13. What does God say about knowing other gods?
14. Can any of these things save them?

Apply-

According to verse 1, it is only in God that we can be exalted. This is not what Satan tells us. God says if you want to go up you must be a servant!

How are you a servant?

Have you surrendered everything to God so He can use you as He pleases?

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Weekly memory verse – Hosea 14:9

Time spent in prayer \_\_\_\_\_

Read – Hosea 13:5-8

Examine –

1. Where did God know them?

2. What did He call this land?

NOTE: When they needed God, He knew them, but once their needs were met they forgot Him!

3. What happened to them in verse 6?

4. After this what happened to their heart?

5. Who did they forget?

6. What three animals does God say He will be like?

7. What is wrong with the bear?

8. What will He do to them?

9. How will He devour them?

10. What will tear them?

NOTE: Remember God refers to His people as a flock of sheep. He has been their protection; now He will be their destruction!

Apply-

Do you just depend on God when you need something from Him?

Do you forget Him after you get what you want?

Will God have to turn on you and be your destruction?

Proverbs 1:24-33 says He will if He has to.

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Weekly memory verse – Hosea 14:9

Time spent in prayer \_\_\_\_\_

Read – Hosea 13:9-13

Examine –

1. Who destroyed Israel?
2. Where is their help?
3. What does God want to be to them?
4. Is there anyone else to save them?
5. What did Israel demand of God earlier in their existence?
6. Did God give them a king?
7. How did He give it?
8. How did He take it away?
9. Where is the iniquity of Ephraim?
10. Where is his sin?

NOTE: One writer has said that this means to be kept in store for the time of judgment. It is bound as a parchment or secret document!

11. What will come upon them?
12. What does God call him?

Apply-

God is storing up judgment for people He has repeatedly given time to repent.

God would still offer help. When have you sought His help in time of need?

What are some of your needs today?

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Weekly memory verse – Hosea 14:9

Time spent in prayer \_\_\_\_\_

Read – Hosea 13:14-16

Examine –

These next two questions are questions that have an obvious answer. To understand this, switch the first two words of each question.

1. Would God ransom them?
2. Would He redeem them?
3. Who would be their death and destruction?
4. What would be hid from God's eyes?
5. Note: There is a point when you will not be able to repent!
6. What will he be among his brethren for a time?
7. What will come?
8. Who is it from?
9. From where will it come?
10. What will happen to the water supplies?
11. What will become desolate?
12. Why is all this happening?
13. From what will they fall?
14. What will happen to their little ones?
15. What will happen to the pregnant women?

NOTE: This was fulfilled when the Assyrian's invaded the land!

Apply-

You may appear to be fruitful for a while, but it will not last if you stand against God. Are you on God's side?

What have you done lately to prove this?

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Weekly memory verse – Hosea 14:9

Time spent in prayer \_\_\_\_\_

Read – Hosea 14:1-4

Examine –

1. Who is God addressing here?
2. What is God begging for them to do?
3. By what have they fallen?
4. To whom should they be turning?
5. What two things should they ask of God?
  
6. What would they render to Him?  
NOTE: This probably means the fruit of their lips!
7. Who would they admit could not save them?
8. What would they not say to the things made with their hands?
9. What is made with their hands?
10. Who finds mercy in God?
  
11. Notice this is all Israel should say!

Apply-

Would you be willing to admit your sin to God?

Have you recently?

When have you specifically confessed sin to God?

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Weekly memory verse – Hosea 14:9

Time spent in prayer \_\_\_\_\_

Read – Hosea 14:5-9

Examine –

1. Can you list the three “I wills” that God promised them?
2. What is turned away?
3. As what will Israel grow?
4. What will he cast forth?
5. What will happen to his branches?
6. What will he look like?
7. What will he smell like?
8. What will they revive like?
9. How will they grow?
10. What will Ephraim say?
11. How will you demonstrate wisdom according to verse 9?
12. How will you demonstrate prudence according to this verse?
13. What are the ways of the LORD?
14. Who shall walk in them?
15. Who will fall in them?

Apply-

Are you wise and prudent?

How do you walk in the ways of the LORD?

Do you want God’s blessings?

How could Israel turn their back on this great deal? THEY DID!!! Will You?

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Weekly memory verse – Hosea 14:9

Time spent in prayer \_\_\_\_\_

Read – Hosea - Review

Examine –

Chapter 13

1. What was the work of the craftsman?
2. What would they be like? (4 things)
3. Where did God know them?
4. When did they forget Him?
5. What three specific animals does God say He will be like?
6. When Israel wanted a \_\_\_\_\_ it started their down fall.
7. Who would fulfill the prophecies in 3:16?

Chapter 14

1. Describe in your own words what Israel should do?
2. Describe in your own words what kind of deal God was willing to give them?
3. How will these people demonstrate wisdom and prudence?

Apply-

List characteristics of God jumped out at you from this week's chapter:

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