

Divided Kingdom

Lesson 12 – Hosea's prophecy to Israel
Hosea 1-14

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Time to consider God's warnings

- Hosea follows only a few years after Amos
- Israel wallowing in moral decay and idolatry

Hos 4:2 By swearing and lying, Killing and stealing and committing adultery, They break all restraint, With bloodshed upon bloodshed.

Hos 13:2 Now they sin more and more, And have made for themselves molded images, Idols of their silver, according to their skill; All of it is the work of craftsmen. They say of them, "Let the men who sacrifice kiss the calves!"

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Hosea – Prophet of the broken heart

- Still God loves and yearns for His people

Hos 11:8 “How can I give you up, Ephraim? How can I hand you over, Israel? How can I make you like Admah? How can I set you like Zeboiim? My heart churns within Me; My sympathy is stirred.”
(NKJV)

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God's love illustrated (1-3)

Hosea and Gomer

Hos 1:2 "Go, take yourself a wife of harlotry and children of harlotry,
For the land has committed great harlotry by departing from the
LORD."(NKJV)

Israel's harlotry

Hos 2:5 For their mother has played the harlot... for she said, 'I will
go after my lovers, who give me my bread and my water, my wool and
my linen, my oil and my drink.'(NKJV)

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Her Husband erased from her thoughts

Hos 2:8 For she did not know that I gave her grain, new wine, and oil,
And multiplied her silver and gold-Which they prepared for Baal.
(NKJV)

Lack of knowledge

Hos 4:6 My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge. Because you
have rejected knowledge, I also will reject you from being priest for
Me; Because you have forgotten the law of your God, I also will forget
your children. (NKJV)

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Gomer – Again committing adultery

Hos 3:1 Then the LORD said to me, "Go again, love a woman who is loved by a lover and is committing adultery, just like the love of the LORD for the children of Israel, who look to other gods and love the raisin cakes of the pagans." (NKJV)

Hosea buys her back

Hos 3:2-3 So I bought her for myself for fifteen shekels of silver, and one and one-half homers of barley. And I said to her, "You shall stay with me many days; you shall not play the harlot, nor shall you have a man -so, too, will I be toward you." (NKJV)

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God's people will be faithful

Hos 3:4 For the children of Israel shall abide many days without king or prince, without sacrifice or sacred pillar, without ephod or teraphim.

5 Afterward the children of Israel shall return and seek the LORD their God and David their king. They shall fear the LORD and His goodness in the latter days. (NKJV)

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God will entice her to faithfulness

Hos 2:14 "Therefore, behold, I will allure her, will bring her into the wilderness, and speak comfort to her.

15 I will give her her vineyards from there, and the Valley of Achor as a door of hope; She shall sing there, as in the days of her youth, as in the day when she came up from the land of Egypt.

16 "And it shall be, in that day," Says the LORD, "That you will call Me 'My Husband,' And no longer call Me 'My Master,' (NKJV)

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Children of harlotry

Jezreel – “Jehovah scatters”

Hos 1:4 Then the LORD said to him: "Call his name Jezreel, For in a little while I will avenge the bloodshed of Jezreel on the house of Jehu, And bring an end to the kingdom of the house of Israel. (NKJV)

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Righteous God did not forget Jehu's wicked motives

2Ki 10:31 But Jehu took no heed to walk in the law of the LORD God of Israel... (NKJV)

Warned from the beggining

De 4:27 "And the LORD will scatter you among the peoples, and you will be left few in number among the nations where the LORD will drive you.

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Lo-Ruhamah – “No mercy”

Hos 1:6 And she conceived again and bore a daughter. Then God said to him: "Call her name Lo-Ruhamah, for I will no longer have mercy on the house of Israel, but I will utterly take them away.(NKJV)

Lo-Ammi – “Not my people”

Hos 1:9 Then God said: "Call his name Lo-Ammi, for you are not My people, and I will not be your God." (NKJV)

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A wonderful promise given

Hos 1:10 "Yet the number of the children of Israel shall be as the sand of the sea, which cannot be measured or numbered. And it shall come to pass in the place where it was said to them, 'You are not My people,' there it shall be said to them, 'You are sons of the living God.'"

11 Then the children of Judah and the children of Israel shall be gathered together, and appoint for themselves one head; And they shall come up out of the land, for great will be the day of Jezreel!

(NKJV)

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A wonderful promise fulfilled!

Rom. 9:22-26 What if God, wanting to show His wrath and to make His power known, endured with much longsuffering the vessels of wrath prepared for destruction, and that He might make known the riches of His glory on the vessels of mercy, which He had prepared beforehand for glory, even us whom He called, not of the Jews only, but also of the Gentiles? As He says also in Hosea: "I will call them My people, who were not My people, And her beloved, who was not beloved. And it shall come to pass in the place where it was said to them, 'You are not My people,' there they shall be called sons of the living God." (NKJV)

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A wonderful promise fulfilled!

1st Peter 2:9 But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light;

10 who once were not a people but are now the people of God, who had not obtained mercy but now have obtained mercy.(NKJV)

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A beautiful new covenant

Hos 2:19 "I will betroth you to Me forever; Yes, I will betroth you to Me in righteousness and justice, in lovingkindness and mercy;

22 The earth shall answer with grain, with new wine, and with oil; They shall answer Jezreel.

23 Then I will sow her for Myself in the earth, And I will have mercy on her who had not obtained mercy; Then I will say to those who were not My people, 'You are My people!' And they shall say, 'You are my God!'" (NKJV)

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The ways of the LORD are right

Ho 14:4-9 "I will heal their backsliding, I will love them freely, for My anger has turned away from him. I will be like the dew to Israel; He shall grow like the lily, And lengthen his roots like Lebanon. His branches shall spread; His beauty shall be like an olive tree, and his fragrance like Lebanon. Those who dwell under his shadow shall return; They shall be revived like grain, And grow like a vine. Their scent shall be like the wine of Lebanon. "Ephraim shall say, 'What have I to do anymore with idols?' I have heard and observed him. I am like a green cypress tree; Your fruit is found in Me." Who is wise? Let him understand these things. Who is prudent? Let him know them. For the ways of the LORD are right; The righteous walk in them, but transgressors stumble in them.(NKJV)

Divided Kingdom: Kings of Israel

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 - – 2y
 - – 24y
 - – 2y
 - – 1w
 - – 12y
 - – 22y
 - – 12y
 - – 28y
 - – 17y
 - – 16y
 - – 41y
 - Zechariah – 6m
 - **Shallum** – 1m
 - **Menahem** – 10y
 - Pekahiah – 2y
 - **Pekah** – 20y
 - **Hoshea** – 9y
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