

# HOSEA

## Lesson 2 Chapters 3,4,5

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1. God's everlasting covenant love for Israel/ covenant of marriage

And in that day, declares the LORD,  
you will call me 'My Husband... I will  
betroth you to me in faithfulness...  
Hosea 2:16, 20

2. God pays a price for the people that He chooses

...you were ransomed ...with the precious blood of Christ...

1 Peter 1:18

3. Prophetic: Exile and Restoration

No intimate relationship 3:3

No normal religious life 3:4

Promise of restoration 3:5

The Case Against Israel:  
Why They Will Be Judged

4:1-3 Opening statement:  
Their sin is exceedingly great

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4:13-14 the men: the priests in  
their families are not honoring  
their wives and daughters

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4:4-5, 8 The prophets and priests:  
the leaders of the nation are  
corrupt

Marital infidelity in Scripture =  
common picture of idolatry,  
(unfaithfulness to God)

Leave Israel alone, because  
she is married to idolatry...  
Hosea 4:17 NLT

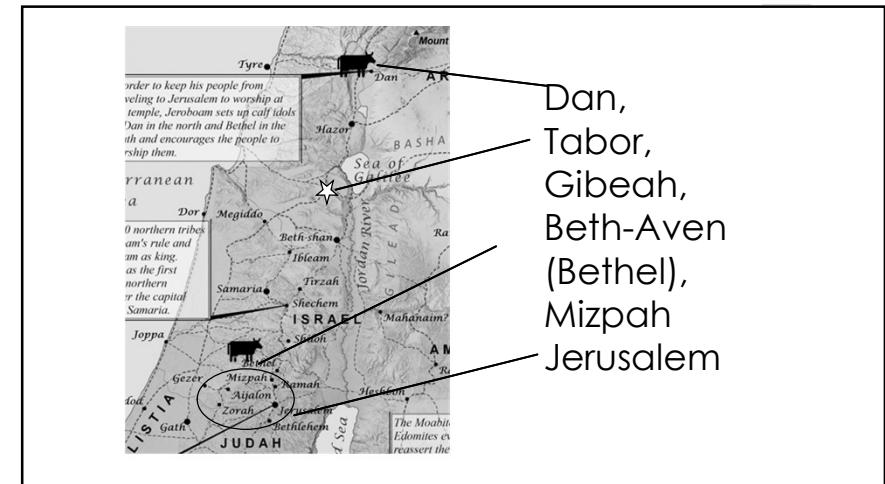
5:4 Their deeds do not permit them to return to their God. For the spirit of whoredom is within them, and they know not the LORD.

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5:7 They have dealt faithlessly with the LORD; for they have borne alien children. Now the new moon shall devour them with their fields.

... those who plow iniquity and sow trouble reap the same. Job 4:8

Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap. Galatians 6:7



Conclusion Of The Case:  
God Pronounces Sentence

Stumbling, desolation,  
wrath, oppressed, crushed  
in judgement, destruction,  
tearing, no rescue

5:7...**until** they acknowledge  
their guilt and seek my face,  
and in their distress earnestly  
seek me.

Finally:

5:6 With their flocks and herds  
they shall go to seek the LORD,  
but they will not find him; he has  
withdrawn from them

### Salvation

- Acknowledge that I have sinned against God
- Turn away from my sin to God
- Ask His forgiveness

But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.  
Romans 5:8

And you will seek Me and find Me when you search for Me with all your heart.  
Jeremiah 29:13