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Ch 15 God's Messengers Workbook

Day One

Read Hosea 1:1- 3:5

1. What does God direct Hosea to do?

Why?

2. What are the names of the 3 children and what does what does each name mean?

3. List the offenses of God's people. (Ch 2)

4. List the promises of restoration in Chapters 2 and 3.

God chose to use Hosea as a living example to the people, at great personal cost to Hosea. God's call required Hosea to totally turn his life upside down! Is there a point where we "draw the line" on what God can do with us? Focus today's devotional time on writing a prayer of surrender to service to God.

Day Two

Read Hosea 4:1-6:11

1. In 4:16, what explanation does God give for why He is disciplining His people?
2. Several times he refers to a certain "spirit" that has led them astray. What "spirit" is it?
3. In Ch 5, who does he blame for leading the people astray?

4. In Ch 6, what does He state that He requires?

What does He "delight" in?

God's discipline has a loving purpose. He disciplines us that we would return to Him. He explains that a "spirit of harlotry" has led astray His Bride. Today's assignment is to write your wedding vows to Christ.

Day Three

Read Hosea 7:1-9:17

1. In 7:4, God calls His people “adulterers”. What comes to your mind when you read that term?

In what ways can we commit adultery against God?

2. Compare the description of His people in 8:1-4, 14 to today.

3. In 8:7 and 9:17, what does God say will happen to His people?

It's hard to believe that these are HIS people. God isn't judging the pagan nations around them, He is disciplining His OWN. What is He saying to us today about His Church? Focus today's time on praying for the purity of the Bride of Christ, ALL His people as well as our own body.

Day Four

Read Hosea 10:1-13:16

1. What are some specific ways you could personally apply Hosea 10:12?
2. Re-read Hosea 13:4-5. List some specific times and ways God has provided for/led you.

3. How does Hosea 13:6 speak to you personally?

Today's passages spoke to how God had provided for and led them and they forgot Him when they prospered. For today's assignment, write a prayer acknowledging the specific ways God has been faithful to you and then close by praying a song of praise/thanksgiving to Him.

Day Five

Read Hosea 14:1-9 and Hosea 1:1-11

We have spent this week in Hosea because it IS the Upper Story. Write down what God has shown you this week about His love, His discipline and a "spirit of harlotry". To close, go for a walk and spend some time with your husband, Christ.