

## “Hosea”

### God’s love for His Adulterous Wife

#### I. PERSONAL — The prophet and his faithless wife, Gomer, Chapters 1—3

**Hosea 1:2–3** — <sup>2</sup> “When the LORD first spoke through Hosea, the LORD said to Hosea, “Go, take to yourself a wife of harlotry and have children of harlotry; for the land commits flagrant harlotry, forsaking the LORD.” <sup>3</sup> So he went and took Gomer the daughter of Diblaim, and she conceived and bore him a son.”

##### A. Why did God command Hosea to marry a harlot?

1. Hosea's life would \_\_\_\_\_.

##### B. Accusation of God against Israel’s adultery:

1. Going to her lovers for provision rather than her husband. **-Hosea 2:5**

##### C. Prophecy of God’s restoring word for Israel - Chapter 2:14-23

1. I will allure her – v14
2. I will give her – v15
3. I will remove the names – v17
4. I will betroth her – v19
5. I will restore her – v23
6. I will have compassion -v12b

##### D. Hosea commanded to take Gomer again, Chapter 3

**Hosea 3:1–3** — <sup>1</sup> Then the Lord said to me, “Go again, love a woman who is loved by her husband, yet an adulteress, even as the Lord loves the sons of Israel, though they turn to other gods and love raisin cakes.” <sup>2</sup> So I bought her for myself for fifteen shekels of silver and a homer and a half of barley. <sup>3</sup> Then I said to her, “You shall stay with me for many days. You shall not play the harlot, nor shall you have a man; so I will also be toward you.””

1. He buys her back from \_\_\_\_\_.

##### 2. Lessons about God:

- a. God always \_\_\_\_\_ . **-Matthew 18:12**
- b. We don’t \_\_\_\_\_ . **-Romans 3:11**

#### II. PROPHETIC — The Lord and the faithless nation Israel, Chapters 4—14

##### A. Israel will return to the Lord in the last days, Chapter 6

**Hosea 6:1–3** — <sup>1</sup> “Come, let us return to the Lord. For He has torn us, but He will heal us; He has wounded us, but He will bandage us. <sup>2</sup> “He will revive us after two days; He will raise us up on the third day, That we may live before Him. <sup>3</sup> “So let us know, let us press on to know the Lord. His going forth is as certain as the dawn; And He will come to us like the rain, Like the spring rain watering the earth.””

##### B. God show Israel how to return to Him, Chapter 14

**Hosea 14:1–2** — <sup>1</sup> Return, O Israel, to the Lord your God, For you have stumbled because of your iniquity. <sup>2</sup> **Take words** with you and **return** to the Lord. Say to Him, “Take away all iniquity And receive us graciously, That we may present the fruit of our lips.”

1. “**take words**” – means to be prepared to confess your sins.
2. “**return to the Lord**” – it includes the act of turning away from the God’s we have pursued.

#### III. Ways that the church can fall into adultery with God:

##### A. Embracing heresy – 2 Corinthians 11:2–4

##### B. Friendship with the world – James 4:4