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Hosea

Hosea and Us

Can you remember a summer wedding?

Hosea 1:2

1. Hosea's wayward wife (1-3). "Do I hate sin?"

- Chapter 1 Hosea marries Gomer. They have children three children.
- The illustration is a adulterous wife and children of unfaithfulness.
- The sin is, "the land is guilty of the vilest adultery in departing from the LORD."
- Chapter 2 Hosea confronts Israel.
- God say to them and us, "because you love other activities, people and things as much as loving and worshipping me."
- Chapter 3 Hosea shows his love for Gomer, and reconciles with her.

The Key verse is; Hosea 3:1-2.

- God said," Love her as the LORD loves the Israelites."
- Today God would says, "Love her as the LORD loves the Church and my born again children."
- God's love and desire for redemption is real and present today.
- Hosea paid to get Gomer out of a relationship of sin.
- God's only son paid to get us out of a relationship of sin.

2. God's wayward people. "Do I love God with all my heart?"

- The rest of the book deals with the sin of Israel and her impending judgment.

Hosea 5:4

- Persistent sin hardens a person's heart, making it difficult to repent.

Hosea 6:1-3

- Come with me; let us return to the LORD follow me as I lead.

Hosea 6:6-7

- God's desire is mercy and acknowledgment of Him.

Hosea 8:7

Hosea 14:1-2

Hosea 14:9 the last verse.

Will I be wise or rebellious today, tomorrow, will I love God faithfully?