
Study Series: Hosea

Questions about Hosea 1.1-3.5

1. Who was Hosea, and what did the LORD tell him to do? (1.2; 3.1) Who was Gomer? What did the names of Hosea's children have to do with the relationship between the LORD and Israel at this time? (1.3-9)
2. Why did the LORD promise to punish Israel? (2.2-13)
3. The LORD's harsh words of punishment were balanced by the LORD's promise to help Israel in the future (2.14-23). What did this hopeful future look like? How could Israel regain the LORD's help and blessings?
4. Why is King David mentioned in 3.5?

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Questions about Hosea 4.1—14.9

1. Of what specific sins did the LORD accuse Israel? What role did Israel's priests play in Israel's sins? (4.1—5.7)
2. Why was Bethel chosen to receive the LORD's warning? (5.8,9) What did King Jeroboam do at Bethel? (See the note at 4.15)
3. How did the people respond to Hosea's warnings? (6.1-3) Was their response honest and sincere? Why or why not?
4. In terms of Israel's history, what is the meaning of Hosea 7.11?
5. How were the people of Israel punished for their sins? Name at least three ways. (8.1—11.6; 12.9—13.16)
6. Why are Judah and Israel compared to their ancestor Jacob? (12.1-8)
7. How were the people of Israel supposed to return to the LORD? (14.1-3) What does the phrase, "return to the LORD" mean when you apply it to your own life?
8. What warning and what promises are found in 14.8,9?