

# The Gospel According to Hosea

Hosea Ch.1-3



# Roadmap

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## **I. The Bible is a Love Story**

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## **III. Follow Jesus**

# I. The Bible is a Love Story

Genesis 12:1-3 → The LORD had said to Abram, **“Go from your country, your people and your father’s household to the land I will show you.**

<sup>2</sup> “I will make you into a great nation,  
and I will bless you;  
I will make your name great,  
and you will be a blessing.  
I will bless those who bless you,  
and whoever curses you I will curse;  
and all peoples on earth  
will be blessed through you.”





# I. The Bible is a Love Story

Jolie and I left our old lives to be **in a sacrificial costly relationship** where we can honor God together.

**A true Christian** makes the best husband/wife because we know what a good relationship through God!

**A true Christian** understands brokenness and tension

Through God and scripture, we learn **TRUTH:** to be humble, to want to be different!!

# I. The Bible is a Love Story

**Reconciliation –**

**Purification –**

**Blind Justice –**

**Blind Mercy –**

# I. The Bible is a Love Story

**Reconciliation** – To **restore** a bad relationship back to Good.

**Purification** – To **take away what is Filthy** and restore it to cleanliness (takes a looong time)

**Blind Justice** – God's character is **completely Just**.

**Blind Mercy** – God's character is **completely Forgiving**.



# I. The Bible is a Love Story

**When reading the Bible remember:**

**From Beginning to End**, this is about a broken relationship in **need of mending**.

The prophets are a warning to us to recognize how **completely Sinful we are** and **how Completely loved we are**. (Do not skip steps!)

# Background: Hosea 1

The word of the LORD that came to **Hosea son of Beeri** during the reigns of **Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz and Hezekiah, kings of Judah**, and during the reign of **Jeroboam son of Jehoash king of Israel**

# Background: Hosea 1

Hosea son of Beerli was a prophet from **755-715 BC** making him a contemporary of Isaiah and Micah

**There were 2 kingdoms in Israel** (Israel and Judah) and Hosea was primarily preaching to the Northern kingdom where Jeroboam II reigned for over 40 years.

Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz and Hezekiah were ruling in Judah.

**Hosea preached during the Fall of Northern Kingdom in 721 BC** . Fall of Judah happened in 586 BC

# Background: Hosea 1

## Hosea's Wife and Children

<sup>2</sup> When the LORD began to speak through Hosea, the LORD said to him, “Go, marry a promiscuous woman and have children with her, for like an adulterous wife this land is guilty of unfaithfulness to the LORD.” <sup>3</sup> So he married Gomer daughter of Diblaim, and she conceived and bore him a son.

<sup>4</sup> Then the LORD said to Hosea, “Call him Jezreel, because I will soon punish the house of Jehu for the massacre at Jezreel, and I will put an end to the kingdom of Israel. <sup>5</sup> In that day I will break Israel's bow in the Valley of Jezreel.”

# Background Hosea 1

<sup>6</sup> Gomer conceived again and gave birth to a daughter. Then the LORD said to Hosea, “Call her **Lo-Ruhamah** (which means “not loved”), for I will no longer show love to Israel, that I should at all forgive them. <sup>7</sup> Yet I will show love to Judah; and I will save them—not by bow, sword or battle, or by horses and horsemen, but I, the LORD their God, will save them.”

<sup>8</sup> After she had weaned Lo-Ruhamah, Gomer had another son. <sup>9</sup> Then the LORD said, “Call him **Lo-Ammi** (which means “not my people”), for you are not my people, and I am not your God. <sup>10</sup> “Yet the Israelites will be like the sand on the seashore, which cannot be measured or counted. In the place where it was said to them, ‘You are not my people,’ they will be called ‘children of the living God.’ <sup>11</sup> The people of Judah and the people of Israel will come together; they will appoint one leader and will come up out of the land, for great will be the day of Jezreel.

# Background Hosea 1: Broken Names

“**Call him Jezreel**, (Israel’s disobedience) because I will soon punish the house of Jehu for the massacre at Jezreel, and I will put an end to the kingdom of Israel. <sup>5</sup> In that day I will break Israel’s bow in the Valley of Jezreel.”

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## II. We Are Broken People

Exodus 20:2-17 (The Ten Commandments)

**When looking at the ten commandments,  
which **do you follow well**? Which  
commandments **do you break**??**

# THE 10 COMMANDMENTS

- 1 You shall have no other gods before Me.
- 2 You shall not make idols.
- 3 You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain.
- 4 Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.
- 5 Honor your father and your mother.
- 6 You shall not murder.
- 7 You shall not commit adultery.
- 8 You shall not steal.
- 9 You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.
- 10 You shall not covet.



## II. We Are Broken People

The truth is **We break EVERY ONE  
OF THE TEN COMMANDMENTS all  
the time.**

## II. We Are Broken People

### **Matthew 5:21-22 The Sermon on the Mount**

<sup>21</sup> “You have heard that it was said to the people long ago, ‘You shall not murder, and anyone who murders will be subject to judgment.’ <sup>22</sup> But I tell you **that anyone who is angry with a brother or sister will be subject to judgment.** Again, anyone who says to a brother or sister, ‘Raca,’ is answerable to the court. And anyone who says, ‘You fool!’ will be in danger of the fire of hell.

<sup>27</sup> “You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall not commit adultery.’<sup>28</sup> But I tell you **that anyone who looks at a woman lustfully has already committed adultery with her in his heart.**

# Romans 3:19-20, 23-24

<sup>19</sup> Now we know that whatever the law says, it says to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced and the whole world held accountable to God. <sup>20</sup> Therefore no one will be declared righteous in God's sight by the works of the law; rather, **through the law we become conscious of our sin...**

<sup>23</sup> **for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,** <sup>24</sup> **and all are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus.**

### III. Follow Jesus – Hosea 3

The LORD said to me, “Go, show your love to your wife again, though she is loved by another man and is an adulteress. Love her as the LORD loves the Israelites, though they turn to other gods and love the sacred raisin cakes.”

<sup>2</sup> So I bought her for fifteen shekels of silver and about a homer and a lethek of barley. <sup>3</sup> Then I told her, “You are to live with me many days; you must not be a prostitute or be intimate with any man, and I will behave the same way toward you.”

<sup>4</sup> For the Israelites will live many days without king or prince, without sacrifice or sacred stones, without ephod or household gods. <sup>5</sup> **Afterward the Israelites will return and seek the LORD their God and David their king. They will come trembling to the LORD and to his blessings in the last days.**

## Quick Activity

Think about your Calendar and write out what takes most of your free time.

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How you use your time shows you what you love.

# Quick Activity

Question:

What is holding you back from  
**completely surrendering** your life to  
God?

Our Worldly possessions

Our Family

Our Future

Our Pride

Our Sins and Jealousy

Our Fears



## Follow Jesus - Luke 14:25-27

<sup>25</sup> Large crowds were traveling with Jesus, and turning to them he said: <sup>26</sup> “If anyone comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters—**yes, even their own life**—such a person cannot be my disciple. <sup>27</sup> And whoever does not carry their cross and follow me cannot be my disciple.

# Follow Jesus

Following Jesus Requires:

**1. Confession** – **Speak truth Humbly**. You cannot save yourself and need help.

**2. Repentance** – Turn away from **Your Ways** and Follow Jesus

**3. Walking with Jesus** – Becoming more like Jesus through a **relationship** with Him.

# Follow Jesus – John 3:14-18

The Son of Man must be lifted up,<sup>15</sup> that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him.”

<sup>16</sup> For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. <sup>17</sup> For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. <sup>18</sup> **Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because they have not believed in the name of God’s one and only Son.**

# Conclusion

## Remember...

We are in **a Love Relationship** with Jesus

We are **Dead People** in desperate need of a Savior

Follow Jesus for **the Hope of Heaven**