

A Study of the Prophets

OT Survey Lesson 112--Hosea 4:1-10:15

Introduction: In this section Hosea presents God's case against Israel. Israel is to be destroyed for a lack of knowledge of God's law that has resulted in idolatry. For their many sins, they are to be taken into captivity.

Lesson aim: To explore the sins that cause God's people to be rejected by Him.

God's presents his case against Israel--Hosea 4:1-19

1. What did God say was not found in the land of Israel? (v. 1) What was found there instead? (v. 2)
2. God said, "My people are destroyed for a lack of _____" (v. 6). Who had failed to properly instruct the Israelites?
3. With what did God charge the priests? (v. 8)
4. Describe the worship of the Israelites during this period of time (v. 11-14)
5. To what did God liken Israel? (v. 16)

God reveals the inner causes of Israel's sin and its consequences--Hosea 5:1-15

1. What did God want the Israelites to know about their sins? (v. 3)
2. God said, "a spirit of _____ is within them" (v. 4).
3. What did God say he would be to Israel? (v. 14)
4. God was to withdraw from Israel until they did what? (v. 15)

Israel's pretense of repentance and God's reply--Hosea 6:1-11

1. Though Israel pretended to return to God, what did God say about their loyalty to Him? (v. 4)
2. God said, "I delight in _____ rather than sacrifice, and in the _____ of God rather than burnt offerings" (v. 6)

God's charges against Israel's rulers--Hos. 7:1-16

1. God compares the hearts of the rulers to what? (v. 4, 6) The rulers became sick with the heat of _____ (v. 5).
2. Israel hoped to be saved by mixing with what? (v. 8) God said they were like what? (v. 11)

God prophesies judgment--Hos. 8:1-10:15

1. Israel had sown the wind. What would they reap? (v. 7)
2. Israel multiplied altars for what? (v. 11) What had God written to instruct the people in what is right? (v. 12)
3. Where did God say Israel would not remain? (9:3) Where would they go?
4. What was God's attitude toward Israel for their unfaithfulness to Him? (9:15)
5. What was God's exhortation to Israel? (10:12)