

Lesson Plan for #3 Hosea

Opening Prayer

Review: Go over the first two prophets, Joel, and Jonah. Make sure everyone has their worksheets. Review the main lessons from each. Then, pass out the new worksheet for the next prophet, Hosea.

Introduce the Video: *Hosea happens to be one of my favorite books. Actually, the first part of the book has a wonderful love story. It shows the depth of God's love for us. It foreshadows in a deep way what God does for us by sending Jesus to die for us to pay the price to "redeem" us, or buy us back from slavery to the world system and sin. He "cleans us up", comforts us, and takes us home! The second half lists the Northern Kingdom's many offenses toward God, and warns of impending judgment. If you would like, fill out the worksheet for Hosea as you listen to the video.*

Watch Video (10:30)

Discussion Questions:

1. What part of the video impacted you the most?
2. How do you think Hosea felt when his wife left him? How do you think he felt when God told him to "buy her back?"
3. How did Hosea's actions illustrate to the country of Israel how He felt about them, and what He was planning to do?
4. What was Gomer really seeking? What was Hosea seeking? What was God seeking?
5. How does the story of Hosea's life illustrate what Christ does for us? How would you explain that to someone who does not know the story?
6. How is America like Israel was in those days? Are things better with Trump in office or not?

America has mixed herself among the peoples. America is a cake unturned. Aliens have devoured her strength. But she does not know it. Yes, gray hairs are here and there on her, yet she does not know it. And the pride of America testifies to her face. But she does not return to the Lord her God, Nor seek him for all of this. America is like a silly dove without sense. She calls to China, she goes to Russia. Woe to them for they have fled from me. America has rejected the good, the enemy will pursue her. She will sow the wind and reap the whirlwind. She has plowed wickedness, and reaped iniquity. She has eaten the fruit of lies, because she trusted in her own way. Therefore tumult shall arise among the people. And all your fortresses shall be plundered.

Closure: Take some time to pray for any lost family members to come to Christ. Also, pray for America to return to Christ. Encourage everyone to complete the Home Study.

Home Study

Read the Scriptures: Book of Hosea (At least the first two or three chapters!), 2 Kings 14:23-29, Romans 5: 6-8, Key scripture Hosea 14:7

Also, don't forget to fill out the worksheet for Hosea.

If you can, get together for a movie night and watch the movie, "Amazing Love: The Story of Hosea"