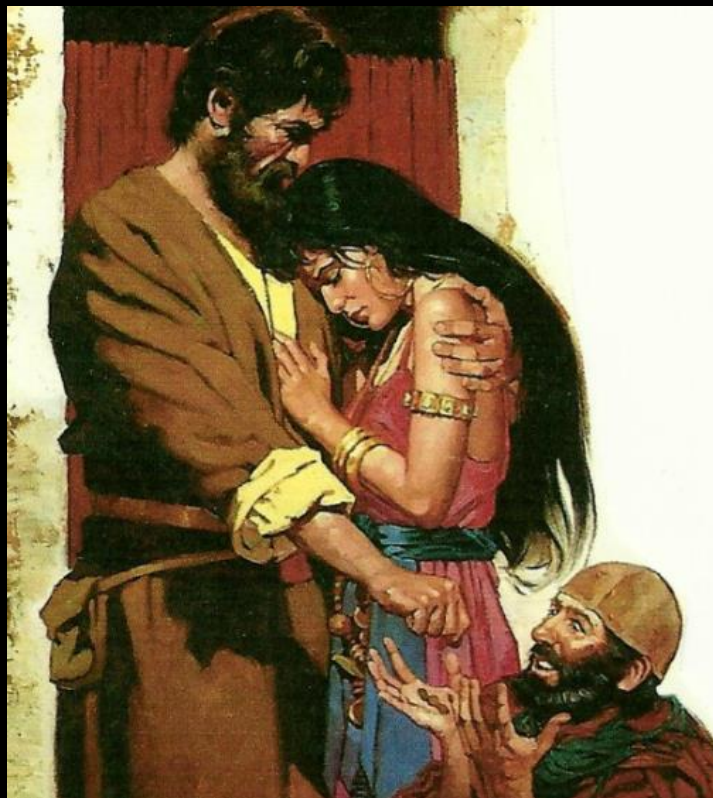


ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Hosea



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Gomer (Meaning, Hebrew):

“Complete or Perfect”

Recap:

Hosea's Marriage to Gomer:

Represents the Indictment of God against Israel due to idolatry and persistent sin.

Children:

Represents God's Judgement for Israel's sin.

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Children:

- Jezreel (“God scatters”)
- Lo-Ruhamah (“No Mercy, Not Loved”)
- Lo-Ammi (“Not Mine, Not My People”)

Hosea Ch.2 (Verses 6 and Part 7, NIV):

6: *“Therefore I will block her path with thornbushes; I will wall her in so that she cannot find her way.*

7: *She will chase after her lovers but not catch them, she will look for them but not find them.”*

Key Phrases:

- “He squandered his wealth in wild living”
- “He spent everything”
- “He began to be in need”
- “He longed to fill his stomach . . . but no one gave him anything.”

Hosea Ch.2 (Verses 7, Last Portion, NIV):

7: Then she will say, “I will go back to my husband as at first, for then I was better off than now.”

2 Chronicles Ch.7 (Verse 14, NIV):

14: “If My people who are called by My name will humble themselves and pray and seek My face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from Heaven and I will forgive their sin and heal their land.”

Truth from Scripture:

Sin NEVER delivers what it promises.

Questions of Application:

- What sin in my life currently and regularly comes between me and God?
- What sinful snare is God seeking to extract me from?

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What did God want from Israel?

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- Repentance
- A Committed, Faithful Relationship

Question: IS IT ANY DIFFERENT FOR US?