



Part 8: Wrath & Tender Mercy

Hosea 11-12:1

1. Fill in the blanks. Spiritual Principle – God’s _____ love turns His _____ into _____
_____.
2. Read Hosea 11:1 with Matthew 2:13-15. How does this comparison between the “son” Israel and the “Son” Jesus bring clarity to the gospel?

 - a. What do 1 Peter 3:18 and 2 Corinthians 5:21 teach us about God’s tender mercy?

3. Read Hosea 11:2 with Galatians 5:16-18. What must we understand to grow spiritually?

 - a. What aspects of God’s love do you often take for granted?

 - b. Write a prayer of thanksgiving for these areas.

 - c. Why does gratefulness toward God produce obedience to God?

4. Read Hosea 11:3-7. What do you learn about God’s relentless love here?

5. Read Hosea 11:8-9. What seems strange about what’s revealed of God here? Why?

 - a. What happens when we view God as though He does NOT have emotions?

b. What do we learn about Jesus in Hebrews 5:7 and Mark 14:33-34?

c. Read Colossians 1:15. Who is Jesus? How is God deepening your understanding of Him through these passages so far?

d. How does understanding the emotional life of God bring clarity to having an authentic relationship with Him?

e. Why does the fact that “God FEELS” excite you about praying and obeying Him?

6. Read Psalm 5:4; Psalm 7:11; Romans 1:18 and Romans 2:5. How do those passages make God’s tender mercy *stand out more*? Why do you appreciate it more now?

a. What do we learn about God’s tender mercy in Matthew 27:46 and Romans 5:9?

7. What happens when I only focus on God’s wrath?

a. What happens when I only focus on God’s love?

b. What happens when I understand them together?

8. Why will this teaching make you more obedient to God?

a. What human relationships do you need to consider this teaching for most?
