

**Wednesday Night, Survey Service: Week 68**

**Hosea 4 – 14, Amos 1 - 6**

**Revelation 9 - 14**

**Hosea 4: Harlotry removes understanding**

**Key Point:**

There are serious consequences for abandoning God and His ways, especially a decay into irrational thinking and actions.

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**Key Verse - Hosea 4:11 (NLT)**

Wine has robbed my people of their understanding.

**Hosea 5: Priests failed to warn**

**Key Point:**

It is only through real repentance that anyone can find real redemption. Anything less is just lip service to God.

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**Key Verse - Hosea 5:1 (NLT)**

Hear this, you priests. Pay attention, you leaders of Israel. Listen, you members of the royal family. Judgment has been handed down against you. For you have led the people into a snare by worshiping the idols at Mizpah and Tabor.

**Hosea 6: I desire loyalty**

**Key Point:**

God desires loyalty and love from the heart more than any ritual or sacrifice.

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**Key Verse - Hosea 6:6 (NLT)**

I want you to show love, not offer sacrifices. I want you to know me more than I want burnt offerings.

**Hosea 7: The verdict**

**Key Point:**

There is great sorrow in rejecting God, but only sincere repentance and a return to God from the heart can turn things around.

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**Key Verse - Hosea 7:13 (NLT)**

What sorrow awaits those who have deserted me! Let them die, for they have rebelled against me. I wanted to redeem them, but they have told lies about me.

**Hosea 8: Sow the wind****Key Point:**

Following ungodliness is like chasing a windstorm because the result is catching a tornado.

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**Key Verse - Hosea 8:7 (NLT)**

They have planted the wind and will harvest the whirlwind. The stalks of grain wither and produce nothing to eat. And even if there is any grain, foreigners will eat it.

**Hosea 9: They will be scattered****Key Point:**

Idolatry always leads to severe judgment, and has throughout human history.

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**Key Verse - Hosea 9:17 (NLT)**

My God will reject the people of Israel because they will not listen or obey. They will be wanderers, homeless among the nations.

**Hosea 10: The gold calf will fall****Key Point:**

What you plant is what will grow. If you plant wickedness and sloth, the same will return to you in greater measure.

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**Key Verse - Hosea 10:5 (NLT)**

The people of Samaria tremble in fear for their calf idol at Beth-aven, and they mourn for it. Though its priests rejoice over it, its glory will be stripped away.

**Hosea 11: Out of Egypt****Key Point:**

God demonstrates His own love for us in that, while we were yet sinners, God showed His unfailing love and faithfulness to us.

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**Key Verse - Hosea 11:1 (NLT)**

When Israel was a child, I loved him, and I called my son out of Egypt.

**Hosea 12: Return to the Lord**

**Key Point:**

We are called to repentance and a genuine faith in God.

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**Key Verse - Hosea 12:6 (NLT)**

So now, come back to your God. Act with love and justice, and always depend on him.

**Hosea 13: No savior besides Me**

**Key Point:**

God pleads with people to let Him relent from His anger, let Him heal, let Him redeem if they will only repent.

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**Key Verse - Hosea 13:4 (NLT)**

I have been the Lord your God ever since I brought you out of Egypt. You must acknowledge no God but me, for there is no other savior.

**Hosea 14: Whoever is wise**

**Key Point:**

The wise will see that God’s ways make sense and by following them we can flourish in life.

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**Key Verse - Hosea 14:9 (NLT)**

Let those who are wise understand these things. Let those with discernment listen carefully. The paths of the Lord are true and right, and righteous people live by walking in them. But in those paths sinners stumble and fall.

**Amos 1: Against the locals**

**Key Point:**

God will hold all nations accountable for their actions, even the most pagan, affluent, and powerful.

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**Key Verse - Amos 1:2 (NLT)**

This is what he saw and heard: “The Lord’s voice will roar from Zion and thunder from Jerusalem! The lush pastures of the shepherds will dry up; the grass on Mount Carmel will wither and die.”

**Amos 2: Against Judah and Israel****Key Point:**

No one is exempt from punishment if they need it, even those who think they are closest to God.

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**Key Verse - Amos 2:6 (NLT)**

This is what the Lord says: “The people of Israel have sinned again and again, and I will not let them go unpunished! They sell honorable people for silver and poor people for a pair of sandals.

**Amos 3: The prophets know****Key Point:**

God’s judgment is just and people are responsible for their choices and behavior.

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**Key Verse - Amos 3:7 (NLT)**

Indeed, the Sovereign Lord never does anything until he reveals his plans to his servants the prophets.

**Amos 4: Prepare to meet God****Key Point:**

God allows discipline as a means of convincing people to freely repent, turn from their sinful ways, and live.

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**Key Verse - Amos 4:12 (NLT)**

“Therefore, I will bring upon you all the disasters I have announced. Prepare to meet your God in judgment, you people of Israel!”

**Amos 5: Seek good and live****Key Point:**

Real devotion to God is linked to just and right actions, not just ritual or lip service to God.

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**Key Verse - Amos 5:14 (NLT)**

Do what is good and run from evil so that you may live! Then the Lord God of Heaven’s Armies will be your helper, just as you have claimed.

**Amos 6: Loathing arrogance****Key Point:**

God is opposed to arrogance and pride, so when we neglect the needs of others and will not be socially responsible, we lack humility in the eyes of God.

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**Key Verse - Amos 6:8 (NLT)**

The Sovereign Lord has sworn by his own name, and this is what he, the Lord God of Heaven's Armies, says: "I despise the arrogance of Israel, and I hate their fortresses. I will give this city and everything in it to their enemies."

**Revelation 9: Five Locusts, Six Euphrates****Key Point:**

God will allow demonic torture and physical plague, yet people will still refuse to repent because the corruption of the human heart is a deep and vain thing.

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**Key Verse - Revelation 9:20 (NLT)**

But the people who did not die in these plagues still refused to repent of their evil deeds and turn to God. They continued to worship demons and idols made of gold, silver, bronze, stone, and wood—idols that can neither see nor hear nor walk!

**Revelation 10: No delay & a little book****Key Point:**

God has a plan and it will unfold exactly as He wills, at the exact time.

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**Key Verse - Revelation 10:6 (NLT)**

He swore an oath in the name of the one who lives forever and ever, who created the heavens and everything in them, the earth and everything in it, and the sea and everything in it. He said, "There will be no more delay.

**Revelation 11: Two Witnesses: Death & Rez****Key Point:**

God has the power over life and death and resurrection, which He will use to preserve His people and demonstrate the power and glory of His Being.

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**Key Verse - Revelation 11:11 (NLT)**

But after three and a half days, God breathed life into them, and they stood up! Terror struck all who were staring at them.

**Revelation 12: The woman, the child & the dragon**

**Key Point:**

The plan of God, through the Jews by the Messiah, has always been opposed by the devil and, in the end, he will physically seek to destroy all Christians and Jews.

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**Key Verse - Revelation 12:10 (NLT)**

Then I heard a loud voice shouting across the heavens, “It has come at last— salvation and power and the Kingdom of our God, and the authority of his Christ. For the accuser of our brothers and sisters has been thrown down to earth—the one who accuses them before our God day and night.

**Revelation 13: Number of the beast**

**Key Point:**

The final world empire will be Gentile in origin but empowered by Satan, anti-semitic, anti-Christian and focused on the worship of the anti-christ whose personal name-number is 666.

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**Key Verse - Revelation 13:18 (NLT)**

Wisdom is needed here. Let the one with understanding solve the meaning of the number of the beast, for it is the number of a man. His number is 666.

**Revelation 14: 144,000 and the grapes of wrath**

**Key Point:**

God will go so far as to send an angel to proclaim the gospel and warn people not to choose loyalty to the beast, but in the end His great wrath will justifiably be poured out like wine from a winepress.

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**Key Verse - Revelation 14:19 (NLT)**

So the angel swung his sickle over the earth and loaded the grapes into the great winepress of God’s wrath.