

9/27 Hosea: Walking in the Love of God

Hosea 4–10

Big Idea: Like peeling an onion, God peels back layers to reveal who we really are, and who He really is. In chapters 4–10, Hosea moves from his marriage to Gomer (the micro) to Israel’s unfaithfulness (the macro), and shows the severity of God toward sin.

I. The Charge — *Hosea 4:1–2*

Against God’s own people (and their priests), not the world. From the roof down: bloodshed → broken commandments → they have **forgotten God**.

II. The Judgment — *Hosea 5:9, 11, 15*

Outside in: oppressed by Assyria. Inside out: left to their own corruption. Yet hope: “until they... seek my face” (5:15).

III. A Breath of God Ignored — *Hosea 6:4*

“Your love is like a morning cloud, like the dew that goes early away.” Activity without repentance or heart change.

IV. The Unteachables — *Hosea 7:8, 10*

“Ephraim is a cake not turned.” Half baked: unrepentant and unwilling to be taught.

V. The Party Is Over — *Hosea 8:1; 9:17; 10:13–14*

“You have plowed iniquity; you have reaped injustice... because you have trusted in your own way.”

VI. What Does This Have to Do with Me? — *Rev. 3:15–17*

Two foundational words: A _____ (we know better than God, so we don’t need Him) →
A _____ (so we stop seeking Him).

Reflect this week: Where is God peeling back a layer in my life, and how is He showing me how much I need Him?
