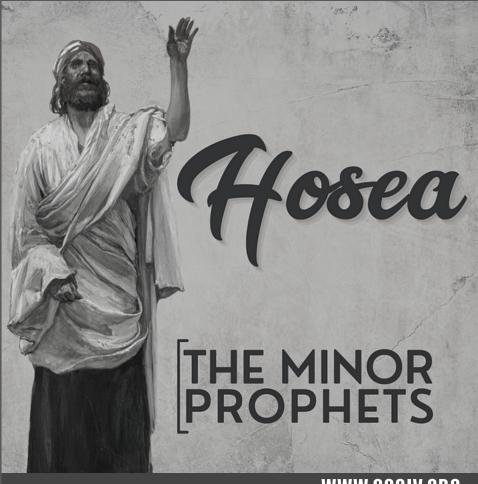
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Welcome



SCAN TO CONNECT WITH US

to Christ Community Church

** Events are subject to change. Please stay up-to-date through notifications on the CCCIV APP

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER - THURSDAY MAY 5

This year Victory Outreach (625 w. State St. EC) will host the El Centro Concert of Prayer at 6:00 pm, Calvary Chapel will host the Youth Prayer Experience at 6:30 pm, and KGBA AM and FM will have a live prayer event on the radio at noon. There are other events in English or Spanish begin held around the Imperial Valley so we encourage you to attend one that is near you.

P31 WOMEN IN THE WORD GATHERING - MAY 7

The Spring Gathering of P31 Women in the Word will be held in the Courtyard on Saturday, May 7th from 9:30 - 11:30 AM. The keynote speaker will be Monica Lozano from Renewing Our Hearts ministry. No childcare is available but refreshments will be served. There is no cost, but please RSVP on the CCC APP



COFFEE AND WORSHIP IN THE COURTYARD MAY 13

Our May 13th Coffee Night will benefit our REACH Youth Ministry from 7-10 pm Join us for live music, games, friends and fellowship and all proceeds will go to support the Youth Ministry.

BAPTISM SUNDAY MAY 15

If you haven't yet been baptized you can learn more about baptism and sign up for the pre-baptism class and to be baptized on the CCC Mobile App



MEET THE PASTORS COFFEE NIGHT MAY 15

We are excited to have the first "Meet the Pastors" Coffee Night Sunday May 15 from 5-7 pm!

2022 IV APOLOGETICS CONFERENCE 5/21

REGISTER TODAY for our first Imperial Valley Apologetics Conference featuring guest speaker Jonathan Noyes from Stand to Reason. The conference will be Saturday, May 21st. Doors open at 8 am, the conference is 9:00 - 4:00. Details are on the CCC App



LUNCH IN THE WORD MEN'S STUDIES

Tuesdays at NOON - Fellowship Hall

REACH Youth Group

Wednesdays at 6:30 pm - FBC Gym 724 W Orange Ave.

JOY OF LIVING WOMEN'S STUDY Resumes Next Week

Joy of Living Women's Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall Thursdays at 9:30 am - Childcare is available.

COLLEGE/YOUNG ADULTS (18-24) GROUP

Tuesdays at 7 pm in the East Sanctuary Basement

GRIEFSHARE SUPPORT GROUP

Alternating Saturdays 9-11 AM -- call (760) 960-7550

ONGOING

go to: ccciv.org/lifegroup-resources to find the LIFEGROUP QUESTIONS Online

Getting to Know You:

- 1. Have you ever been reading a book or watching a movie that became so disheartening that you skipped to the happily ever after? In what way does a break in the Hosea series to celebrate the resurrection compare?
- 2. Do you know any name-droppers? Have you ever embellished your skill on a resume? What are some of the consequences of exaggerating your familiarity with someone or something?
- 3. Look back on a project for which you were unskilled, like home plumbing repair, building a doghouse, treehouse, or anything from IKEA. Did you read the instructions, watch a tutorial, phone a friend, or are you the type to dive in headfirst? How did it turn out? Is a successful outcome proof that you did it correctly? Could there have been a more efficient and effective method?

Digging Deeper:

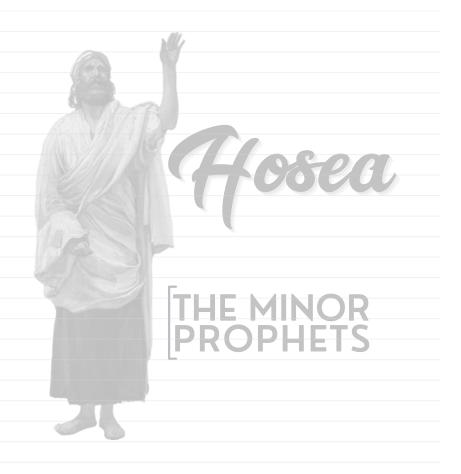
- 1. Read 2 Samuel 11:1-16. Rarely does a person jump directly from faithful spouse to adulterer or from righteous living to a murderer; David's first step toward failure was staying home when he should have been on the battlefield with his men. So what are some of the incremental ways Israel moved towards its destruction according to our text in Hosea 8?
- 2. Read Proverbs 9:10-11, Matthew 7:21-27, and 1 Corinthians 3:18-20. What is the difference between knowing the truth and doing what is right? (Matthew 15:8) What is the difference between God's plans and one's own ideas? What are the consequences of failing to recognize the difference?
- 3. Read Genesis 11:1-9. Although it may have seemed they were building something meant to draw them closer to God, what does verse 4 indicate was the builders' primary mistake? Why did God intervene and confuse their language?

Taking it Home:

- 1. Take a moment to examine where you have failed to consult God in your plans or may have taken a step outside of complete obedience. How will you remedy that trajectory and restore the intimacy in your relationship?
- 2. Is there anything in your life hindering your intimacy with God? Sometimes it is a significant obstacle, but the smallest idols are often the most dangerous trip hazards. How will you identify and remove those distractions?
- 3. Every day, we face hundreds of small decisions and make choices that determine how our day will progress and where we will be at the end of it. What can you do to ensure you will make the best decisions and choose wisely from this day forward?

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Hope is believing that something good can come out of something bad.

DAY 2

Read Hebrews 4:14-16

DAY 1

Jesus is God's Son. He is perfect as God is perfect. Jesus was born as a baby and grew up just like you. He faced many of the same things you face like schoolwork, chores, and dealing with siblings. He felt sadness and hunger and temptation just like you. But he never, not even once, did something wrong.

Because Jesus experienced these things personally, He is able to sympathize with us and help us. Because of what He did for us on the cross, we have access to a holy God. When hard things happen, things we don't understand, we can always ask questions. Because of Jesus, we can go directly to God and find help when we need it.

The next time something happens that doesn't make sense, stop and pray. Remember, Jesus knows exactly how this life feels to us. That means He is completely qualified to help.

Read Hebrews 11:1

Faith trusting in what you can't see because of what you can see. It's believing deep down that God keeps His promises and that His word is true. The rest of Hebrews 11 talks about Noah, Abraham, Isaac, Joseph, David, and the prophets who had faith. These men had questions for God. And yet they trusted Him, even before God sent His only Son into the world.

Seeing is Believing?

In the list below, cross out the things you CAN see and circle the things you CAN'T.

A puppy	God	Brothers
The wind	Your tablet	LEGOs
Your family	Emotions	Friends
Sound waves	Food	Gravity

You can't see the wind but you can certainly feel it on your face to know that it's real. You believe in things you can't see every day.

We can have hope because we put our faith or trust in God, even when we can't see with our own eyes. God has been faithful to us in the past and will be faithful in the future. Whateverhappens, remember God is bigger than your questions or doubts.

A Devotional on Hope There's More!



DAY 3

Read Psalm 48:14

Read John 20:27-29

Have you ever felt like Thomas? When his friends told him that Jesus was alive, he didn't believe them. He thought they were crazy. But then again, we might have the same reaction. Because no one expects a dead man to walk into the room. But that's exactly what happened.

Jesus invited Thomas to touch him, to see that hewasn't ghost or part of some dream. And when He did, Thomas believed. But in this moment, Jesus was gently reminding Thomas of a very important truth.

Read John 20:29 again. What does Jesus say? He tells Thomas, "Because you have seen me, you believe." But then Jesus goes on to say, "Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

Jesus is saying we're blessed when we believe without seeing. It's better when we trust God by faith.

Sometimes, hearing from others can strengthen our own faith. Find three people you know that love God and read these verses together. Ask them why they believe in Jesus and follow Him. Have you ever tried to count to one million? Go ahead and see if you can do it.

Okay, that was pretty much an impossible task. Why? Because if you started counting right now, and counted at a rate of one number per second, it would take you II and a half days to count that high. This would feel like forever!

Forever is a hard thing to wrap our minds around. But that's how long God will be God. He existed first. He was God long before we were born and He will be God after our time on earth is done. We can put our hope in Him because He is in control. And He promises to help us, to be our guide always.

Our God Forever

- Write out the words of today's verse on a card
- 2. Place it near a calendar in your home.
- Talk to your family about how God is God yesterday, today, and forever.

Whatever happens, remember God is bigger than your questions.



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Several ministries are looking for help, including the Tech Team, AWANA, Kids Ministry, and KWAM.





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