## When Love Confronts Hosea 4

Big Idea: God confronts sin in order to redeem the sinners He loves.

- 1. The charge against Israel: Broken covenant with God vs 1-3
  - a. The call to listen
  - b. The absence of godly character and knowledge of God
  - c. The presence of flagrant sin
  - d. A sad result: Deterioration of their land and livelihoods
- 2. The guilt of the spiritual leaders: Leading the people astray vs 4-11a
  - a. They actively rejected knowledge of God
  - b. They passively approved the people's sin

James 3:1 Hebrews 13:17

- 3. The guilt of the people: Living in idolatry 11b-19
  - a. They embraced God-<u>alternatives</u>
  - b. They engaged in immoral worship practices
  - c. There's a warning for Judah
  - d. Their judgement was by this time inescapable vs 16-19

For us today: