



## Return to Restoration

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### Hosea's Questions:

1. What does \_\_\_\_\_ look like?
2. How does \_\_\_\_\_?
3. What does \_\_\_\_\_?

**1** “Return, Israel, to the Lord your God, for you have stumbled because of your iniquity.

*Hosea 14:1, ESV*

**Iniquity ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) =**

**2** Take words with you and return to the Lord. Say to him: “Forgive all our sins and receive us graciously, that we may offer the fruit of our lips.

*Hosea 14:2, NIV*

1. Ask God to \_\_\_\_\_
2. Accept their \_\_\_\_\_
3. Commit to \_\_\_\_\_

**3** Assyria cannot save us; we will not mount warhorses. We will never again say ‘Our gods’ to what our own hands have made, for in you the fatherless find compassion.”

*Hosea 14:3, NIV*

1. Renounce \_\_\_\_\_
2. Renounce \_\_\_\_\_
3. Renounce \_\_\_\_\_

**4** “I will heal their waywardness and love them freely, for my anger has turned away from them. **5** I will be like the dew to Israel; he will blossom like a lily. Like a cedar of Lebanon he will send down his roots; **6** his young shoots will grow. His splendor will be like an olive tree, his fragrance like a cedar of Lebanon. **7** People will dwell again in his shade; they will flourish like the grain, they will blossom like the vine — Israel’s fame will be like the wine of Lebanon. **8** Ephraim, what more have I to do with idols? I will answer him and care for him. I am like a flourishing juniper; your fruitfulness comes from me.”

*Hosea 14:4-8, NIV*

**The place of \_\_\_\_\_ becomes  
the place of \_\_\_\_\_**

**9** Who is wise? Let them realize these things. Who is discerning? Let them understand. The ways of the Lord are right; the righteous walk in them, but the rebellious stumble in them.

*Hosea 14:9, NIV*