



Grades 2-3 • Lesson 98

# God Loves Israel

Hosea 4:1-3, 11:7-8

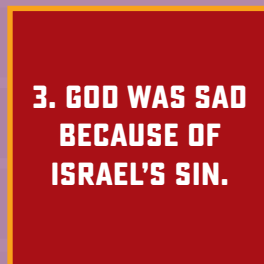
Draw a line to match the shapes. Read the matching statements to recall how Hosea's life was an example of God's relationship to Israel.



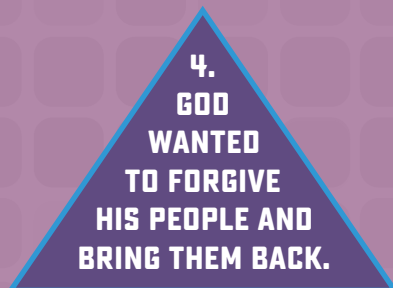
**1. GOD LOVED ISRAEL.**



**2. ISRAEL LEFT GOD TO WORSHIP FALSE GODS.**



**3. GOD WAS SAD BECAUSE OF ISRAEL'S SIN.**



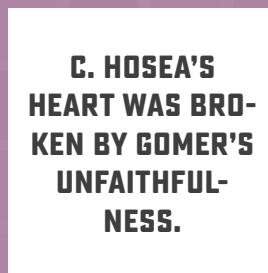
**4. GOD WANTED TO FORGIVE HIS PEOPLE AND BRING THEM BACK.**



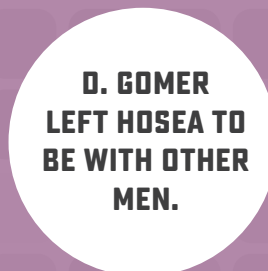
**A. HOSEA TOOK GOMER BACK AND FORGAVE HER.**



**B. HOSEA LOVED GOMER.**



**C. HOSEA'S HEART WAS BROKEN BY GOMER'S UNFAITHFULNESS.**



**D. GOMER LEFT HOSEA TO BE WITH OTHER MEN.**

Name

## Memory Verse


Solve the picture clues to fill in the missing words of the memory verse.

### Proverbs 3:11-12


My son, do \_\_\_\_\_



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as a father the son in

whom he delights.

## What You Heard *In the Word*

- The Lord used the prophet Hosea's relationship with his wife Gomer as a picture of his relationship with Israel.
- Hosea offered forgiveness and love to his unfaithful wife just as God offered forgiveness and love to unfaithful Israel.

## OutWord *For Family Discussion*

What if your friend tells you she could never forgive her neighbor for treating her so badly? God would NEVER expect her to forgive such a mean person! **What would you tell her?**

*I'm so sorry your neighbor hurt you like that. It is so hard to forgive someone we just don't like! But I try to go to the Bible when I have problems like yours. Jesus said that we should love one another—even our enemies! When that seems hard for me to do, I try to remember how much Jesus has done for us. He loved sinners so much that he died for us! And he said that we could have complete forgiveness if we would turn away from our sins and believe in him. His forgiveness offers eternal life and amazing joy. When I think that Jesus would do that for me, I start to believe I can forgive the people who have hurt me.*



## Justin & Jessie

"Hi, Jessie!" Emily waved. "What are you doing here?"

"I'm here to play," Jessie explained.

Emily laughed. "Didn't I tell you I'm going to Stacey's house today? I've gotta go now. Bye, Jessie!" She waved to Jessie as the car pulled away, leaving Jessie standing by herself.



Poor Jessie! She was all ready to spend the day with Emily. Now she's all alone. What will she do? Find out in  
"Kitty Cats & Favorite Friends."

Go to [KidsAnswers.org/jj98](https://www.KidsAnswers.org/jj98) to read the rest of the story and print out this week's Justin and Jessie coloring sheet.