

Relentless

A Series on Hosea



GOD'S CASE CH. 4

▪ God lists the “crimes”:

1. unfaithful, no stand
2. no loyalty
3. no knowledge of God
4. swearing, cursing
5. deception, lies

6. murder,
7. stealing, smuggling
8. adultery, lustful lives
9. violence, “breaking”
10. bloodshed

● The Consequences of Sin...



THE VACUUM EFFECT CH. 5

- Leaders have failed, people followed
 - Priests, teachers of the law, mediators
- No teaching = “deeper” sins! (2)
- Israel/Ephraim
- Loss of sensitivity – lifestyle of lies! (4)
- “Snow ball effect” - Judah sucked in! (5)



LONELY HEARTS

- God withdraws! (6-15)
 - Not sacrifices...
 - Seek, but He is WITHDRAWN (6)
 - false “fruit”... new moon... judgment soon!
- God’s sure, swift wrath! (8-14)
 - Day of rebuke (9)
 - Princes = those who move boundaries? (Deut 19:14)



THE “WOUND” UNHEALED

- Determined to follow man! (11)
 - Moth, rottenness, sickness, wound
 - Assyria? “Avenging King” Jer 30:12; Micah 1:9
 - No healing or cure
 - Like a lion... not the one we want to see...
- I will go away...(15)



THE PATH BACK...

- God show the way 5:15-6:3
 - Acknowledge their Guilt
 - Seek MY face, affliction designed for this...
 - Come let us return (1) prophet's call
 - What He has done He can fix!
 - 2, 3 days... like Gomer, it takes time...
 - “live before Him” – back to His presence!!!
- Know and press on to know God! Water (3)

