

# eGroup Questions

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## Verse: Hosea 1:2

### PRAY

Begin your group study with an opening prayer. Acknowledge the presence of the Holy Spirit, who serves as a teacher as you gather.

### REVIEW

What truth did you discover in the previous lesson? Did it transform how you live your life in any way? Even if it was small.

### CONNECT

In this lesson, we are looking at what it means to be unfaithful people that God loves no matter what. As a group, share your thoughts on the following questions.

Have you ever experienced a time when you faced the negative consequences of a bad action or decision? How did that failure make you feel about yourself? How do you think God saw you through those circumstances? Do you think it changed anything about how God sees you now?

### OBSERVE

Read your selected passage out loud as a group. While you read, take note of details, words, or phrases that jump off the page. Take a moment to share your findings with the group.

## DISCUSS

Before this week's lesson, what would you say you knew about the prophet Hosea or his prophetic book? What do you know about prophetic literature in the Old Testament? Upon listening to the lesson, was there anything new that you learned or that stood out to you?

In your own words, how would you describe the lessons shown within the book of Hosea? What is God showing His people through Hosea's life? What is God saying about himself through commanding Hosea to marry Gomer; an unfaithful companion?

God calls his people back to an earlier covenant they made. If they do not repent, Assyria will come to seize Israel into exile as a symbol of God's judgment. How do you feel about God's judgment on Israel? How do you feel about Israel's disobedience to the covenant they made with God? How would you put this into perspective of today? Are things different because we live after the death and resurrection of Jesus?

The book of Hosea shows us a great deal about the unfaithfulness of humanity; how we can easily wander away from God and worship idols. How does this make you feel as a follower of Jesus? Do you ever notice that you feel susceptible to wander from God? Why do you think this is such a big issue in Hosea and the Old Testament?

God displays a character that is steadfast in love through this book. How would you reconcile the idea that God is our supreme Judge but yet full of genuine love? How do you feel about God's love for you? Have you experienced the love of God? How would you describe it?

## MAIN IDEA

In one to three sentences, summarize your main take-away from this lesson. Share your thoughts with the group.

## PRAY

Now that you have finished your study, take this opportunity to pray together as a group. Feel free to collect any prayer needs from the group members.