

THIS IS MY BIBLE, I AM WHAT IT SAYS I AM,
I CAN DO WHAT IT SAYS I CAN DO.
I AM A BELIEVER, AND NOT A DOUBTER,
A DOER AND NOT JUST A HEARER, AND
MY LIFE IS THE BETTER AFTER HEARING,
OBEYING, AND APPLYING A
WORD FROM THE LORD.

HOSEA 1:1 NLT

¹ THE LORD GAVE THIS MESSAGE TO HOSEA SON OF BEERI DURING THE YEARS WHEN UZZIAH, JOTHAM, AHAZ, AND HEZEKIAH WERE KINGS OF JUDAH, AND JEROBOAM SON OF JEHOASH WAS KING OF ISRAEL.

HOSEA 1:2 NLT

² WHEN THE LORD FIRST BEGAN SPEAKING TO ISRAEL THROUGH HOSEA, HE SAID TO HIM, "GO AND MARRY A PROSTITUTE, SO THAT SOME OF HER CHILDREN WILL BE CONCEIVED IN PROSTITUTION. THIS WILL ILLUSTRATE HOW ISRAEL HAS ACTED LIKE A PROSTITUTE BY TURNING AGAINST THE LORD AND WORSHIPING OTHER GODS."

HOSEA 1:3 NLT

³ SO HOSEA MARRIED GOMER, THE DAUGHTER OF DIBLAIM, AND SHE BECAME PREGNANT AND GAVE HOSEA A SON.

ROMANS 10:9 NLT

⁹ IF YOU OPENLY DECLARE THAT JESUS IS LORD AND BELIEVE IN YOUR HEART THAT GOD RAISED HIM FROM THE DEAD, YOU WILL BE SAVED.

BELIEVE

IN YOUR HEART THAT GOD
RAISED HIM FROM THE DEAD

DECLARE

THAT JESUS IS LORD

LORD

ONE WHO IS IN CHARGE BY
VIRTUE OF POSSESSION, OWNER

WILLIAM ARNDT ET AL., *A GREEK-ENGLISH LEXICON OF THE NEW TESTAMENT AND OTHER EARLY CHRISTIAN LITERATURE* (CHICAGO: UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO PRESS, 2000), 577.

JEREMIAH 13:1–2 NIV

¹ THIS IS WHAT THE LORD SAID TO ME:
“GO AND BUY A LINEN BELT AND PUT IT
AROUND YOUR WAIST, BUT DO NOT LET
IT TOUCH WATER.”

² SO I BOUGHT A BELT, AS THE LORD
DIRECTED, AND PUT IT AROUND MY
WAIST.

JEREMIAH 13:3–5 NIV

³ THEN THE WORD OF THE LORD CAME TO ME A SECOND TIME:

⁴ “TAKE THE BELT YOU BOUGHT AND ARE WEARING AROUND YOUR WAIST, AND GO NOW TO PERATH AND HIDE IT THERE IN A CREVICE IN THE ROCKS.”

⁵ SO I WENT AND HID IT AT PERATH, AS THE LORD TOLD ME.

JEREMIAH 13:6–7 NIV

⁶ MANY DAYS LATER THE LORD SAID TO ME, “GO NOW TO PERATH AND GET THE BELT I TOLD YOU TO HIDE THERE.”

⁷ SO I WENT TO PERATH AND DUG UP THE BELT AND TOOK IT FROM THE PLACE WHERE I HAD HIDDEN IT, **BUT NOW IT WAS RUINED AND COMPLETELY USELESS.**

JEREMIAH 13:8–9 NIV

⁸ THEN THE WORD OF THE LORD CAME TO ME:

⁹ “THIS IS WHAT THE LORD SAYS: ‘**IN THE SAME WAY I WILL RUIN THE PRIDE OF JUDAH AND THE GREAT PRIDE OF JERUSALEM.**

EZEKIEL 4:4-5 NLT

⁴ “NOW **LIE ON YOUR LEFT SIDE** AND PLACE THE SINS OF ISRAEL ON YOURSELF. YOU ARE TO BEAR THEIR SINS FOR THE NUMBER OF DAYS YOU LIE THERE ON YOUR SIDE.

⁵ I AM REQUIRING YOU TO BEAR ISRAEL'S SINS FOR **390 DAYS**—ONE DAY FOR EACH YEAR OF THEIR SIN.

EZEKIEL 4:6-7 NLT

⁶ AFTER THAT, **TURN OVER AND LIE ON YOUR RIGHT SIDE FOR 40 DAYS**—ONE DAY FOR EACH YEAR OF JUDAH'S SIN.

⁷ “MEANWHILE, KEEP STARING AT THE SIEGE OF JERUSALEM. **LIE THERE WITH YOUR ARM BARED AND PROPHECY HER DESTRUCTION.**

HOSEA 1:2 NLT

² WHEN THE LORD FIRST BEGAN SPEAKING TO ISRAEL THROUGH HOSEA, HE SAID TO HIM, **“GO AND MARRY A PROSTITUTE**, SO THAT SOME OF HER CHILDREN WILL BE CONCEIVED IN PROSTITUTION. THIS WILL ILLUSTRATE HOW ISRAEL HAS ACTED LIKE A PROSTITUTE BY TURNING AGAINST THE LORD AND WORSHIPPING OTHER GODS.”

HOSEA 1:3 NLT

³ SO HOSEA MARRIED GOMER,
THE DAUGHTER OF DIBLAIM, AND
**SHE BECAME PREGNANT AND
GAVE HOSEA A SON.**

HOSEA 1:6 NLT

⁶ SOON GOMER BECAME PREGNANT AGAIN AND GAVE BIRTH TO A DAUGHTER. AND THE LORD SAID TO HOSEA, “NAME YOUR DAUGHTER LO-RUHAMAH—‘NOT LOVED’—FOR I WILL NO LONGER SHOW LOVE TO THE PEOPLE OF ISRAEL OR FORGIVE THEM.

HOSEA 1:8–9 NLT

⁸ AFTER GOMER HAD WEANED LO-RUHAMAH, **SHE AGAIN BECAME PREGNANT AND GAVE BIRTH TO A SECOND SON.**

⁹ **AND THE LORD SAID, “NAME HIM LO-AMMI—‘NOT MY PEOPLE’—**FOR ISRAEL IS NOT MY PEOPLE, AND I AM NOT THEIR GOD.

HOSEA 2:2B–3 NLT

TELL HER TO REMOVE THE PROSTITUTE'S MAKEUP FROM HER FACE AND THE CLOTHING THAT EXPOSES HER BREASTS.

³ OTHERWISE, I WILL STRIP HER AS NAKED AS SHE WAS ON THE DAY SHE WAS BORN. I WILL LEAVE HER TO DIE OF THIRST, AS IN A DRY AND BARREN WILDERNESS.

HOSEA 2:7 NLT

⁷ WHEN SHE RUNS AFTER HER LOVERS, SHE WON'T BE ABLE TO CATCH THEM. SHE WILL SEARCH FOR THEM BUT NOT FIND THEM. THEN SHE WILL THINK, 'I MIGHT AS WELL RETURN TO MY HUSBAND, FOR I WAS BETTER OFF WITH HIM THAN I AM NOW.'

HOSEA 2:8–9 NLT

⁸ SHE DOESN'T REALIZE IT WAS I WHO GAVE HER EVERYTHING SHE HAS— THE GRAIN, THE NEW WINE, THE OLIVE OIL; I EVEN GAVE HER SILVER AND GOLD. BUT SHE GAVE ALL MY GIFTS TO BAAL.

⁹ “BUT NOW I WILL TAKE BACK THE RIPENED GRAIN AND NEW WINE I GENEROUSLY PROVIDED EACH HARVEST SEASON. I WILL TAKE AWAY THE WOOL AND LINEN CLOTHING I GAVE HER TO COVER HER NAKEDNESS.

HOSEA 3:1 NLT

¹ THEN THE LORD SAID TO ME, "GO AND LOVE YOUR WIFE AGAIN, EVEN THOUGH SHE COMMITS ADULTERY WITH ANOTHER LOVER. THIS WILL ILLUSTRATE THAT THE LORD STILL LOVES ISRAEL, EVEN THOUGH THE PEOPLE HAVE TURNED TO OTHER GODS AND LOVE TO WORSHIP THEM."

HOSEA 3:2–3 NLT

² SO I BOUGHT HER BACK FOR FIFTEEN PIECES OF SILVER AND FIVE BUSHELS OF BARLEY AND A MEASURE OF WINE.

³ THEN I SAID TO HER, “YOU MUST LIVE IN MY HOUSE FOR MANY DAYS AND STOP YOUR PROSTITUTION. DURING THIS TIME, YOU WILL NOT HAVE SEXUAL RELATIONS WITH ANYONE, NOT EVEN WITH ME.”

HOSEA 2:14–15 NLT

¹⁴ “BUT THEN **I WILL WIN HER BACK ONCE AGAIN. I WILL LEAD HER INTO THE DESERT AND SPEAK TENDERLY TO HER THERE.**

¹⁵ **I WILL RETURN HER VINEYARDS TO HER AND TRANSFORM THE VALLEY OF TROUBLE INTO A GATEWAY OF HOPE. SHE WILL GIVE HERSELF TO ME THERE, AS SHE DID LONG AGO WHEN SHE WAS YOUNG,** WHEN I FREED HER FROM HER CAPTIVITY IN EGYPT.

HOSEA 2:16 NLT

¹⁶ WHEN THAT DAY COMES," SAYS THE LORD, "YOU WILL CALL ME 'MY HUSBAND' INSTEAD OF 'MY MASTER.'

HOSEA 2:19–20 NLT

¹⁹ I WILL MAKE YOU MY WIFE FOREVER, SHOWING YOU RIGHTEOUSNESS AND JUSTICE, UNFAILING LOVE AND COMPASSION.

²⁰ I WILL BE FAITHFUL TO YOU AND MAKE YOU MINE, AND YOU WILL FINALLY KNOW ME AS THE LORD.

LUKE 22:31–32 NIV

³¹ “SIMON, SIMON, SATAN HAS ASKED TO SIFT ALL OF YOU AS WHEAT.

³² BUT I HAVE PRAYED FOR YOU, SIMON, THAT YOUR FAITH MAY NOT FAIL. AND WHEN YOU HAVE TURNED BACK, STRENGTHEN YOUR BROTHERS.”

LUKE 22:33–34 NIV

³³ BUT HE REPLIED, “LORD, I AM READY TO GO WITH YOU TO PRISON AND TO DEATH.”

³⁴ JESUS ANSWERED, “I TELL YOU, PETER, BEFORE THE ROOSTER CROWS TODAY, YOU WILL DENY THREE TIMES THAT YOU KNOW ME.”

MARK 16:7 NIV

⁷ BUT GO, TELL HIS DISCIPLES AND PETER, 'HE IS GOING AHEAD OF YOU INTO GALILEE. THERE YOU WILL SEE HIM, JUST AS HE TOLD YOU.' ”