

**Big Idea: "God cares more about your heart and the heart of the next generation, than just your works."**

**I. Context**

**Chapters 1-5**

**A. Hosea's Marriage (Ch. 1-3)**

- 1. Hosea represents God,**
- 2. Gomer represents the unfaithful nation of Israel**
- 3. More specifically...The leaders of Israel.  
(The priests, the kings, and members of the ruling class)**

**B. Hosea's Children (Ch.1-3)**

- 1. Their children represent the next generation**
- 2. More specifically...The people who are impacted by the culture. (common people)**

**C. God's Charge Against Israel. (Ch. 4-5)**

- Israel lacked Integrity, Love, and Knowledge of God**

## II. Chapter 6

### A. Israel's Response. (Vs. 1-3)

- Yada = to know and be known. To reveal and be received. To understand one another, and to be found by one another
- Israel was without excuse. (Vs. 3)

### B. God's Response. (Vs. 4-5)

- Their Faith was tied to outcomes.

### C. God's Desire (Vs. 6)

- God wants a fully committed relationship with his people

## III. What we take away...

God desires for us to strive to know him better, to submit to him, and give Him every area of our lives.