11. In what ways could a person be guilty of "cheating on God"? How can that message be delivered in a way that is effective and meaningful?

# HEART

- 12. Consider this statement from this week's message: "Sin will chew you up, spit you out, and leave you worthless in the eyes of the world." How does that make you feel toward yourself? Toward others?
- 13. Put yourself in Hosea's shoes. What do you think was the most challenging aspect of his life and ministry? Did he better understand God's heart as a result? Without living through this experience, what are some practical things we can do or experience to better understand the Lord's heart?

# **HANDS**

- 14. Hosea was to model the message and love of God to a people that despised Him. How can we do that today?
- 15. Which of the four practical applications stood out to you the most this week? Why?

## MINOR PROPHETS, MAJOR TRUTH

Pastor Brian Williams July 14, 2019

#### **Division of Hosea:**

- I. Hosea: A Personal Example (ch. 1-3)
- II. The Conditions of God's People (ch. 4-10)
- III. God's Unfailing Love (ch. 11)
- IV. The Indictment Against God's People (ch. 12-13)
- V. A Call to Repentance (ch. 14)

#### PRACTICAL APPLICATION

- 1. Humanity is \_\_\_\_\_but God is Holy
- 2. Our Sin is More \_\_\_\_\_than We Can Ever Fathom
- 3. \_\_\_\_\_ is Not Content to Leave us Where we Are
- 4. God's Standards for Living are Always \_\_\_\_\_\_.

### **QUESTIONS FOR GROWTH**

- 1. Name your favorite "famous" married couple. What makes them stick out in your mind?
- 2. What is something you bought in the past that failed to promise on what it delivered? How do you typically respond when your expectations of a person, thing, or event are not met?



#### **BIG IDEA OF SUNDAY'S SERMON**

Regardless of my sin, God's love is greater



#### Read Hosea 1-14

- 3. From the text itself, what did you hear/learn that you did not know before this weekend?
- 4. God sent His prophet Hosea to speak His truth into the lives of unfaithful people. What do we learn about the character of God from this act?
- 5. After God led the Israelites out of slavery in Egypt, He made a covenant with them. Read Exodus 19:1-8. What had the Israelites promised God? In what ways were they unfaithful?

6. In his message, Pastor Brian said that, "only one of Gomer's children are specifically stated as being Hosea's child."

Assuming that only one of them was his, how does this fact change the life and ministry of Hosea?

7. Why is idolatry such an offense to God? In what ways are we guilty of idolatry today, even if we don't worship the gods of other religions?

8. What does Hosea 3:2 teach about the value of Gomer in the eyes of the world? How does this compare to how God views her?

9. Interact with this statement, "One compromise leads to another." How is this seen in the life of Gomer? In Israel's history? In our lives?

10. Read Judges 21:25 and then read Hosea 14:9. What are the differences seen in these two verses? Why is one way better than the other?