

Unexpected Extravagance

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Our Purpose: To be a community of believers where, no matter who you are, you can experience life change through Jesus Christ.

God Loves You with Unexpected Extravagance

1 And the LORD said to me, "Go again, love a woman who is loved by another man and is an adulteress, even as the LORD loves the children of Israel, though they turn to other gods and love cakes of raisins."

—Hosea 3:1 (ESV)

1. God Never GIVES Up on His People

...God never gives up on us. Our sins may drive us farther and farther away from Him—but even then, He still loves us and yearns for us to repent and turn to Him for the forgiveness and help we need... God never gives up on us—but tragically, all too often we give up on God! We think He doesn't care about us, or we get upset with Him because He doesn't do what we want Him to do. Have you given up on God by assuming He'll no longer forgive you or help you? Perhaps you have—but I urge you not to make this mistake any longer.

— Billy Graham

Don't Give Up on God. No Matter Your Past, He Hasn't Given Up on You.

So I bought her for fifteen shekels of silver and a homer and a lethech of barley.

—Hosea 3:2 (ESV)

2. God's Love Desires the UNDESIRABLE

3. God's Love is EXTRAVAGANT

And I said to her, "You must dwell as mine for many days. You shall not play the whore, or belong to another man; so will I also be to you."

—Hosea 3:3 (ESV)

For the children of Israel shall dwell many days without king or prince, without sacrifice or pillar, without ephod or household gods.

—Hosea 3:4 (ESV)

4. God's Love REMOVES Lesser Things

Afterward the children of Israel shall return and seek the LORD their God, and David their king, and they shall come in fear to the LORD and to his goodness in the latter days.

—Hosea 3:5 (ESV)

5 God's Love RETURNS What is Best