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RELENTLESS

THE ESSENCE OF GOD'S NATURE

*= Unceasingly intense,
persistent, continuing, non-stop,
determination, not giving up;*



Part 1 : Chapter 1-3

Part 2 : Chapter 4-10

Part 3 : Chapter 11

Part. 4: Chapter 12-14

**The God who NEVER
GIVES UP;
The God who JUDGES;
The God who LOVES;
The God who FORGIVES**

HOSEA

Author

SALVATION:
GOD SAVES

HOSEA

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Chapter 1-3
*The Story of
Hosea and
Gomer*

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*THE STORY OF GOD'S
FAITHFULNESS,
[His **RELENTLESS** Love]
toward His
**UNFAITHFUL
PEOPLE!***

Part 2
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Chapter 4-10

The GOD
Who
JUDGES

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	PERSONAL The Agony of an Unfaithful Mate		NATIONAL The Tragedy of an Unfaithful People		
	Marriage _____ Children _____ Separation _____ Reunion		Series of sermons declaring the sin of the people and the character of God _____ Model of the message as Hosea remains true to his wife in spite of her infidelity		
	CHAPTERS 1–3		CHAPTERS 4–14		
	Adulterous wife yet faithful husband		Adulterous nation yet faithful God		
	God: “Go, take to yourself a wife of harlotry and have children of harlotry.” (1:2)	God: “Go again, love a woman who is loved by her husband, yet an adulteress.” (3:1)	Nation is guilty.	Nation needs judgment.	Nation has hope.
			God is holy.	God is just.	God is love.
Theme	God’s faithful love toward His unfaithful people				
Key Verses	2:19–20; 3:1; 11:1–12				
Christ in Hosea	Christ’s being “called out” from hiding in Egypt as a child is pictured in Hosea’s record of Israel’s exodus from Egypt (11:1; see also Matthew 2:15). In Hosea’s redemption of Gomer from the slave market, Christ is pictured as the loving, faithful Redeemer of sinful humanity.				

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Chapter

4 : God's Charge Against Israel;

5 : The Impending Judgement on Israel and Judah;

6 : The Impenitence of Israel and Judah;

7 : The Futility Reliance on other Nations;

8 : The Apostasy of Israel;

9 : The Judgement of Israel's sin;

10 : The Sin and Captivity of Israel;

The GOD Who JUDGES

Chapter 4-5 :

- God **Convenes** the Court

Chapter 6-7 :

- God **Rejects** the Appeal

Chapter 8-10 :

- God **Pronounces** the Sentence

Hear the word of the Lord, you Israelites, because **the Lord has a charge to bring against you** who live in the land: “There is no faithfulness, no love, no acknowledgment of God in the land.

2 There is only cursing, lying and murder, stealing and adultery; they break all bounds, and bloodshed follows bloodshed.

Hosea 4:1-2
NIV

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WHAT ARE THE CHARGES?

Hosea 4-10

1... “There is **no faithfulness**, no love, no acknowledgment of God **in the land**.

2 There is only cursing, lying and murder, stealing and adultery; they break all bounds, and bloodshed follows bloodshed.

Infidelity
Immorality

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*Then **Moses** went up to **God**, and the Lord **called** to him from the mountain and said, “This is what you are to **say** to the descendants of Jacob and what you are to **tell** the people of Israel: ‘You yourselves have seen what I did to Egypt, and how I **carried** you on eagles’ wings and **brought** you to myself.*

Exodus 19:3-8
NIV

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Now if you obey me fully and keep my covenant, then out of all nations you will be my treasured possession. Although the whole earth is mine, **you will be** for me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.’ These are the words you are to speak to the Israelites.”

Exodus 19:5-8
NIV

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*So Moses went back and **summoned** the elders of the people and set before them all the words the Lord had **commanded** him to speak.*

*The people all **responded** together, **“We will do everything the Lord has said.”** So Moses brought their answer back to the Lord.*

Exodus 19:7-8
NIV

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1... ***“There is **no faithfulness, no love, no acknowledgment of God in the land.*****

2 *There is only cursing, lying and murder, stealing and adultery; they break all bounds, and bloodshed follows bloodshed.*

Infidelity
Immorality
Exploitation
Ignorance

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4 “My people are **destroyed** for lack of knowledge. Because you have **rejected** knowledge,...

Hosea 4:6a
NKJV

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1... “There is no faithfulness, no love,
no acknowledgment of God in the land.
2 There is only **cursing, lying and
murder, stealing and adultery;**
they **break** all bounds, and
bloodshed follows bloodshed.

Infidelity
Immorality
Exploitation
Ignorance
Cursing
Lying
Murder
Stealing
Adultery
Idolatry

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11 “Harlotry, wine, and new wine
enslave the heart. 12 My people ask
counsel **from** their wooden idols, And
their staff informs them. For the spirit of
harlotry has caused them to **stray**, And
they have **played** the harlot against
their God.

Hosea 4:11-13
NKJV

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*13 They **offer sacrifices** on the mountaintops, And **burn incense** on the hills, Under oaks, poplars, and terebinths, Because their shade is good. Therefore your **daughters commit** harlotry, And your **brides commit** adultery.*

Hosea 4:11-13
NKJV

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**WHAT'S
THE
OUTCOME?**

**Nothing
But
SUFFERING**



2 *There is only cursing, lying and murder, stealing and adultery; they break all bounds, and bloodshed follows **bloodshed**.* 3 *Because of this the **land dries up**, and all who live in it **waste away**; the beasts of the field, the birds in the sky and the fish in the sea are **swept away**.*

BLOODSHED
BARRENNESS
BANISHMENT

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WHO ARE GUILTY ON THESE SINS?

Hosea 4-10



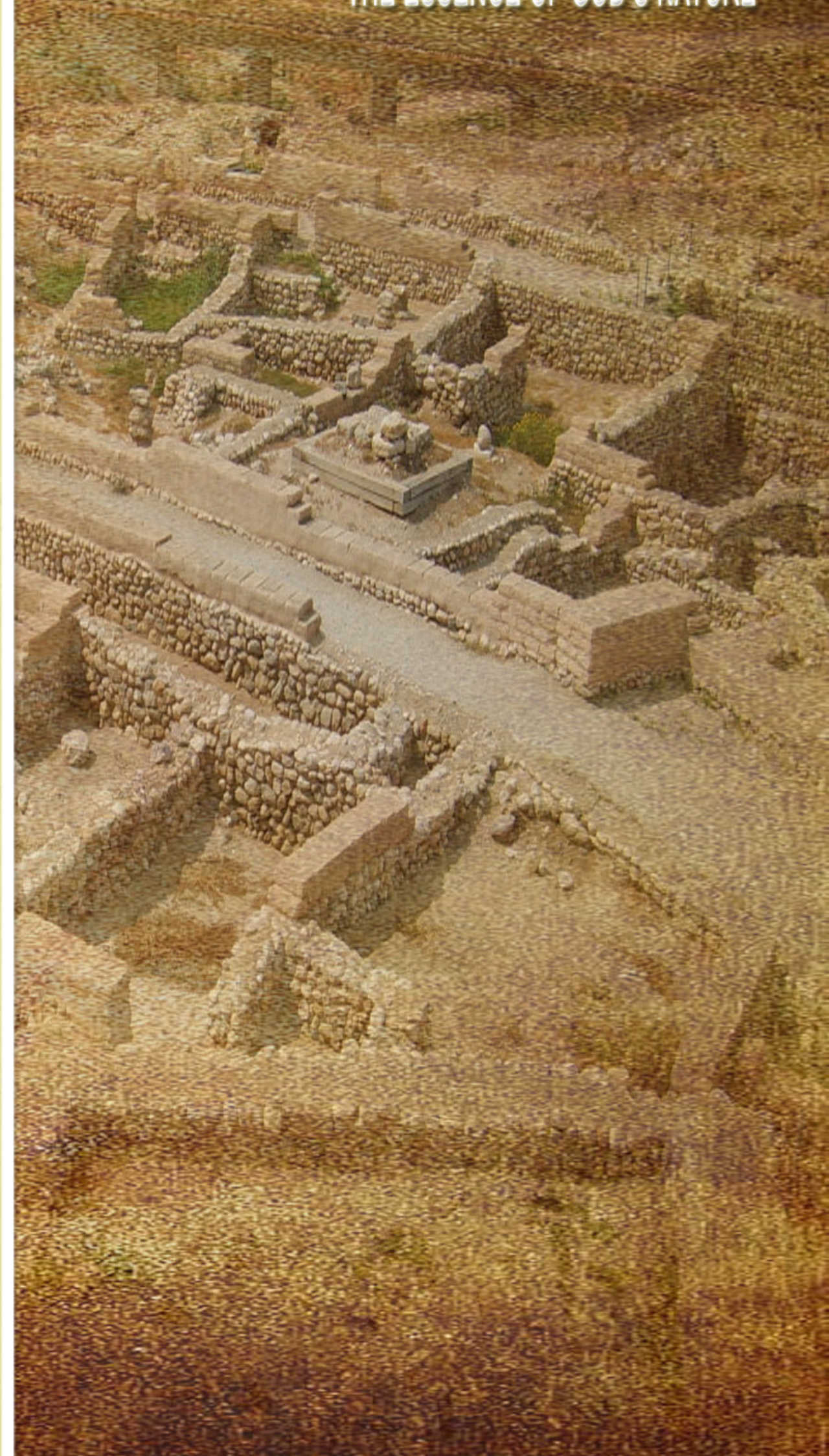
THE DIVIDED KINGDOM



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REHOBOAM



4 “Now let no man contend, or rebuke another; For your **people** are like those who contend with **the priest**.

5 Therefore you shall stumble in the day; **The prophet** also shall stumble with you in the night; And I will destroy your mother. 6 My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge. Because you have rejected knowledge, I also will reject you from being priest for Me; Because you have forgotten the law of your God, I also will forget your children.

Hosea 4:4-10
NKJV

The
PRIESTS
PROPHETS

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7 “The more they increased, The more they sinned against Me; I will change their glory into shame. 8 They eat up the sin of My people; They set their heart on their iniquity. 9 And it shall be: **like people, like priest.** So I will punish them for their ways, And reward them for their deeds. 10 For they shall eat, but not have enough; They shall commit harlotry, but not increase; Because they have ceased obeying the Lord.

WHO else ?

**The
PRIESTS
PROPHETS
PEOPLE
PRINCESS
PROFITEERS**

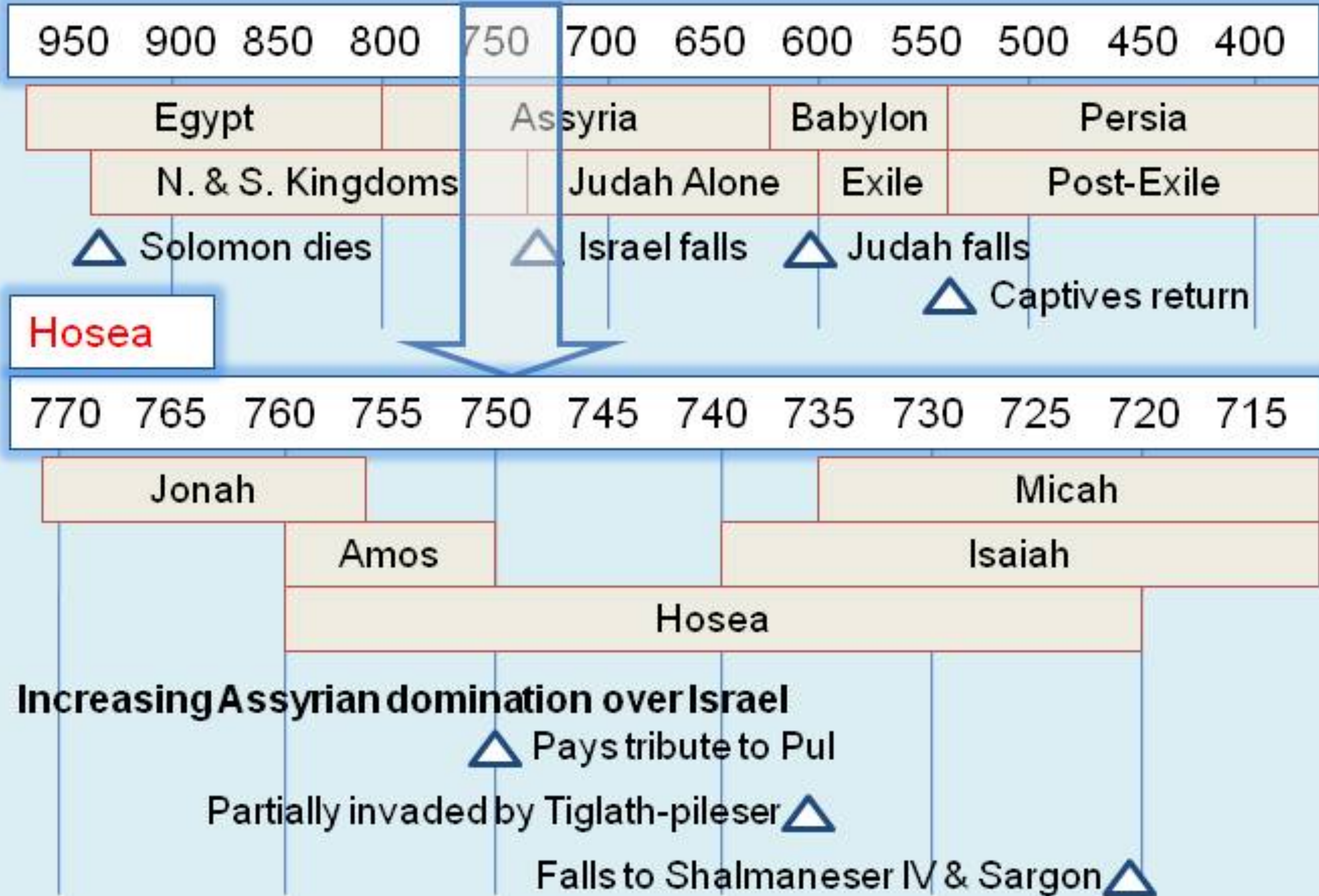
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SO WHAT'S THE VERDICT?

Hosea 4-10

GUILTY

Hosea 4-10



Hosea 6-7

**The 5
Metaphors
God symbolises**

I Like the Morning Cloud & the Dew

Hosea 6



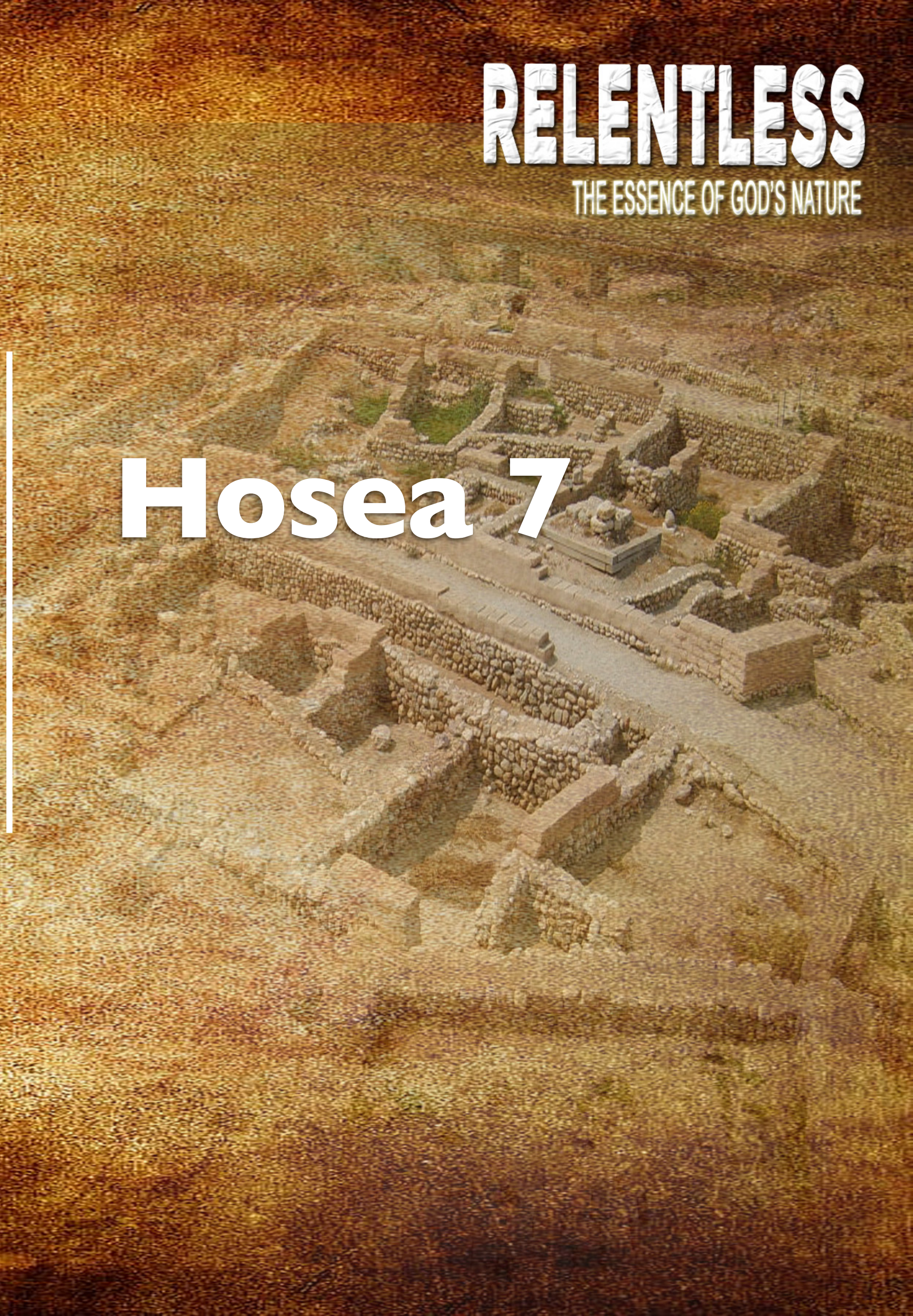
4“O **Ephraim**, what shall I do to you?
O **Judah**, what shall I do to you? For
your faithfulness is **like a morning
cloud**, And **like the early dew** it
goes away. 5 Therefore I have hewn
them by the prophets, I have slain them
by the words of My mouth; And your
judgments are like light that goes forth.
6 For I desire mercy and not sacrifice,
And the knowledge of God more than
burnt offerings.

Hosea 6:4-6
NKJV

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#2 Like AN OVERHEATED OVEN

Hosea 7



4 “They are all adulterers. Like **an oven heated** by a baker— He ceases stirring the fire after kneading the dough, Until it is leavened. 5 In the day of our king **Princes** have made him sick, inflamed with **wine**; He stretched out his hand with **scoffers**. 6 They prepare their heart like an oven, While they lie in wait; Their baker sleeps all night; In the morning it burns like a flaming fire. 7 They are all hot, like an oven, And have **devoured** their judges; All their kings have **fallen**. None among them calls upon Me.

Hosea 7:4-7 NKJV

#3 Like the HALF-BAKED CAKE

Hosea 7



8 “Ephraim has **mixed** himself among the peoples; Ephraim is **a cake unturned**. 9 Aliens have devoured his strength, But **he does not know it**; Yes, gray hairs are here and there on him, Yet **he does not know it**.
10 And the **pride** of Israel testifies to his face, But they do not return to the Lord their God, Nor seek Him for all this.

Hosea 7:8-9
NKJV

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#4 Like A SILLY DOVE

Hosea 7



11 “Ephraim also is **like a silly dove, without sense**— They call to Egypt, They go to Assyria. 12 Wherever they go, I will spread My net on them; I will bring them down like birds of the air; I will chastise them According to what their congregation has heard.

Hosea 7:11-12
NKJV

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#5 Like A TREACHEROUS BOW

Hosea 7



3 “Woe to them, for they have fled
from Me! Destruction to them, Because
they have **transgressed** against Me!
Though I **redeemed** them, Yet they
have **spoken lies** against Me.

14 They **did not cry** out to Me with
their heart When they **wailed** upon
their beds. “They assemble together for
grain and new wine, They **rebel**
against Me;

Hosea 7:13-16
NKJV

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15 Though I **disciplined** and
strengthened their arms, Yet they
devise evil against Me;

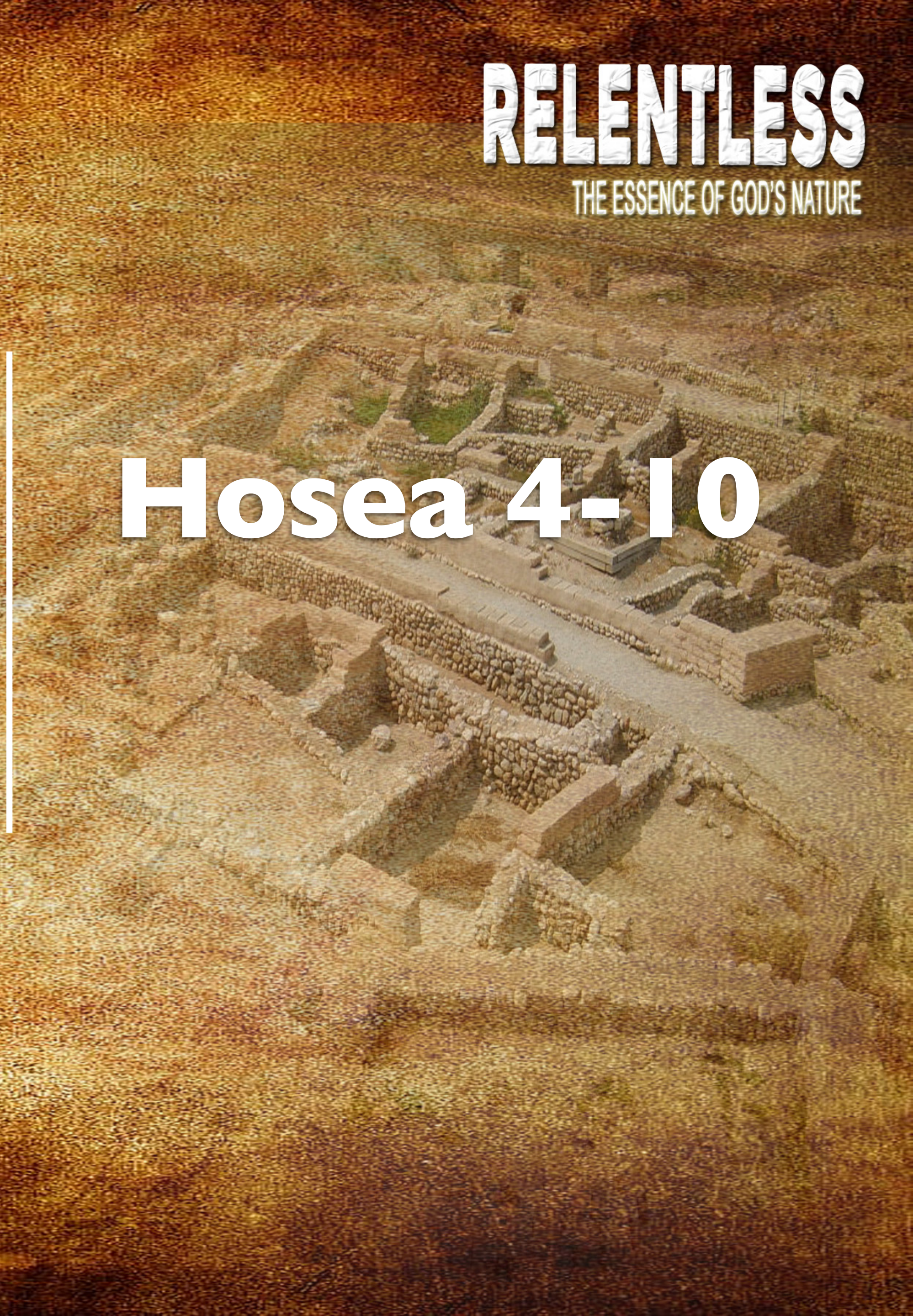
16 They return, but not to the Most
High; They are **like a treacherous**
bow. Their princes shall fall by the
sword For the cursings of their tongue.
This shall be their derision in the land of
Egypt.

Hosea 7:13-16
NKJV

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WHO IS THE GOD WHO JUDGES ?

Hosea 4-10



9 **Ephraim** shall become a desolation in the day of **punishment**; among the tribes of **Israel**, I make known what is sure. 10 The **princes** of Judah have become like those who move the landmark; upon them I will pour out my **wrath** like water. 11 Ephraim is **oppressed, crushed** in judgment, because he was determined to go after filth. 12 But **I am like a moth** to Ephraim, and like dry rot to the house of Judah.

Hosea 5:9-14 ESV

13 When **Ephraim** saw his **sickness**, and **Judah** his **wound**, then Ephraim went to Assyria, and sent to the great king. But he is not able to cure you or heal your wound.

14 For **I will be like a lion** to Ephraim, and like a young lion to the house of Judah. I, even **I, will tear** and go away; **I will carry off**, and no one shall rescue.

Hosea 5:13-14
ESV

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**HE IS
.WRATHFUL
.RIGHTEOUS
.REDEPTIVE**

**WHO IS
THE GOD
WHO
JUDGES?**

***15 I will return again to my place,
until they acknowledge their guilt
and seek my face, and in their
distress earnestly seek me.***

**Hosea 5:15
ESV**

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WHAT SHALL WE DO THEN?

Hosea 4-10

*12 **Sow** for yourselves righteousness;
Reap in mercy;
Break up your fallow ground, **For it**
is time to seek the Lord, Till He
comes and rains righteousness on you.*

Hosea 10:12
ESV

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We are to

- **REPENT & RETURN**
- **SOW & REAP**
- **BREAK & SEEK**

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The GOD
Who LOVES

AWESOME
GOD



**HONOR GOD
MAKE DISCIPLES**