

# Hosea

GOD'S FAITHFUL LOVE  
FOR HIS FAITHLESS PEOPLE

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## Don't Make Me Say It Again!

Hosea 5:8-15

Have you ever been warned by someone to avoid something dangerous? Have you ever been warned by someone again and again to avoid something dangerous? Have you ever been warned again and again and again and ignored those warnings, only to feel the sting of your foolish choices? God had warned Israel over and over again that punishment was coming, yet they ignored him. So God judges them, and they ignore him again. So God steps us his judgment until his people break and come back to him. In this lesson, we will see that. . .

*Because God punishes those who ignore his warnings,  
listen the first time!*

## Outline of Hosea (so far)

**Hosea and Gomer as a picture of God and Israel (1-3)**

**Oracles of judgment and salvation directed at Israel (4-14)**

God calls Israel out for her wicked, idolatrous ways (4)

God rejects his people's hypocrisy and withdraws (5:1-7)

God brings judgment on his sinful people (5:8-15)

## **I. God warns of coming judgment (vv 8-11).**

### **A. The certainty of the coming judgment.**

1. God prophesies specific cities.
2. God reminds Israel of the surety of his word.

### **B. The descriptions of the coming judgment.**

1. God's judgment will leave his people desolate.
2. God's judgment will leave his people oppressed.
3. God's judgment will leave his people crushed.

### **C. The causes of the coming judgment.**

1. Idolatry
2. Stubbornness
3. Greed

## **II. God specifies coming judgment (vv 12-15).**

### **A. God's subtle judgment (vv 12-13)**

1. God punishes his people by deteriorating them (v 12).
2. Israel responds with pride (v 13)

### **B. God's severe judgment (vv 14-15).**

1. God punishes his people by destroying them (v 15).
2. Israel responds with humility (v 15).