

# Hosea

GOD'S FAITHFUL LOVE  
FOR HIS FAITHLESS PEOPLE

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## The Most Dangerous Profession Hosea 4:4-10

*God judges severely those who don't teach carefully.*

- I. Why? The causes for failing to teach God's Word carefully.
  - A. Teachers fail to teach God's Word carefully because they think they're exempt from judgment.
    1. The priests thought God's charge wasn't against them (v 4).

*Yet let no one contend, and let none accuse, for with you is my contention, O priest. (v 4)*
    2. The priests thought God's punishment was not for them.

*And it shall be like people, like priest; I will punish them for their ways and repay them for their deeds. (v. 9)*
  - B. Teachers fail to teach God's Word carefully because they reject the truth of God (v 6).
    1. Teachers reject the knowledge of God.

*because you have rejected knowledge, I reject you from being a priest to me. (v 6)*

**2. Teachers forget the law of God.**

*And since you have forgotten the law of your God,  
I (emphatic) also will forget your children. (v 6)*

**C. Teachers fail to teach God's Word carefully because of their own greed.**

*They feed on the sin of my people; they are greedy for their iniquity. (v 8)*

**D. Teachers fail to teach God's Word carefully because they abuse God's blessings.**

*The more they increased, the more they sinned against me; (v 7)*

**II. You must examine your conduct (v 2).**

**A. The destruction of those who learn.**

*I will destroy your mother (v 5)*

*My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge (v 6)*

**B. The destruction of those who teach.**

**1. God rejects those who fail to teach carefully.**

*I reject you from being a priest to me.*

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*I (emphatic) also will forget your children (v 6)*

*I will change their glory into shame (v 7)*

**2. God destroys those who fail to teach carefully.**

*You shall stumble by day; the prophet also shall stumble with you by night; (v 5)*

**3. God frustrates those who fail to teach carefully.**

*I will punish them for their ways*

*and repay them for their deeds.*

*They shall eat, but not be satisfied;*

*they shall play the whore, but not multiply, (vv 9-10)*