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God's Broken Heart

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Hosea's Seven Reasons Why Israel Departed From God

1. A Lack of Knowledge!

- *“My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge. Because you have rejected knowledge, I also will reject you from being My priest. Since you have forgotten the law of your God, I also will forget your children!”*
- **Hosea 4:6; 2 Timothy 2:15**

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2. Pride!

- *“The pride of Israel testifies to his face; Israel and Ephraim shall stumble in his guilt; Judah also shall stumble with them.”*
- **Hosea 5:5; Proverbs 29:23; James 4:6; Luke 18:9-14**

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3. Instability!

- *“What shall I do with you, O Ephraim? What shall I do with you, O Judah? Your life is like a morning cloud, like the dew that goes early away.”*
- **Hosea 6:4**

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4. Mixing With the World!

- *“Ephraim mixes himself with the peoples; Ephraim is a cake not turned.”*
- **Hosea 7:8; Exodus 23:32-33; 1 Kings 11:1-2**

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5. Corruption!

- *“They have deeply corrupted themselves as in the days of Gibeah; he will remember their iniquity; he will punish their sins.”*
- **Hosea 9:9; Matthew 23:25-28**

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6. Backsliding!

- *“My people are bent on turning away from me, and though they call out to the Most High, he shall not raise them up at all.*
- Hosea 11:7

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7. Idolatry!

- *“And now they sin more and more, and make for themselves metal images, idols skillfully made of their silver, all of them the work of craftsmen. It is said of them, ‘Those who offer human sacrifice kiss calves!’”*
- **Hosea 13:2**

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“For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that through endurance and through the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope.”

Romans 15:4



