

Sermon Notes

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“A Difficult Marriage”

Hosea 1-3

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Chapter 1. Hosea’s marriage as a picture of God’s relationship with his people.

- What are some ways Hosea’s wife and children are compared to Israel?
- What are some ways God’s people today are like his people of Hosea’s time?

Chapter 2. The message Hosea is to give to Israel. Put into your own words:

- The bad news of God’s judgment (verses 2-13).
- The good news of God’s love and mercy (verses 14-23).

Chapter 3. Back to Hosea’s marriage.

- What would you think and feel if God told you to do what he tells Hosea in verse 1?
- What does this illustrate about God’s relationship to his people?

Old Testament in the New: Romans 9:23-26; 1 Peter 2:9-10.

- Dwell on these passages in light of what you’ve been considering from Hosea.
- Ask the Lord to let you hear deeply the good news that is in them for followers of Jesus.