

HOSEA: Misplaced LOVE

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For those who are married: What of your marriage would people come to – if they were a “fly on the wall” in your house?

The name, “Hosea” has the same name root as Joshua and Jesus which means, “”

The overarching message of Hosea is that God wants us to turn away from sin and to Him.

Sin causes us to leave our position of to God (see Hosea 4:1)

One way to guard against falling away from the Lord is by fully Him. (see Hosea 4:6a)

Our character and motivation is to be shaped by knowing God, not by the . (see Hosea 4)

Things that have the power to take our eyes off God are the we purposefully or accidentally chase. (see Hosea 4:12; Hab. 2:19; 1 Cor. 10:14; Col. 3:5)

How do I guard against Idolatry?

- REPENT for straying from the Shepherd
- RECLAIM my identity as God’s Person
- RECEIVE a fresh empowering of the Holy Spirit
- RECOMMIT myself to be a follower of Jesus and a minister to the world around me