

Hosea

6:1 Come, let us return to the Lord. He has torn us to pieces but he will heal us; he has injured us but he will bind up our wounds.

Hosea 1–3 **Prophet & Chicken Ranch**

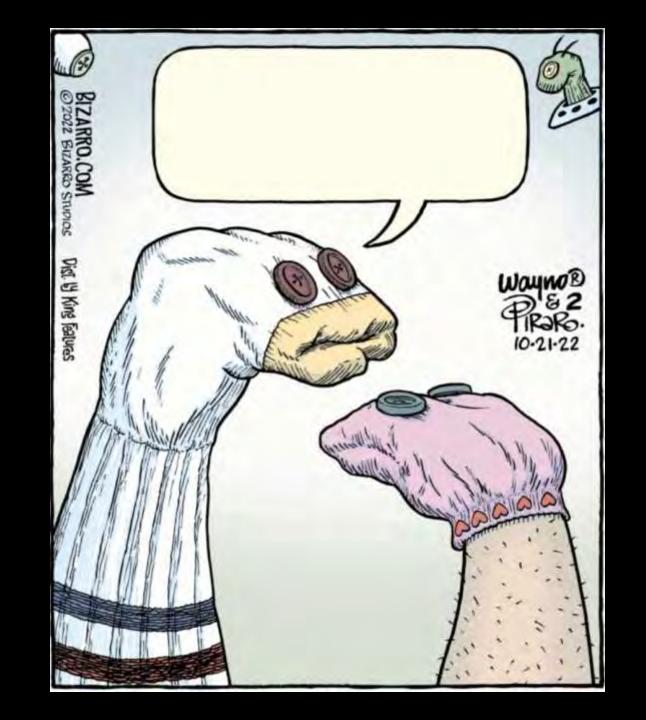
Prophet & Long Black Train Hosea 4-6

Hosea 7–13 Sin Harvested

Hosea 14 Restoration Promised



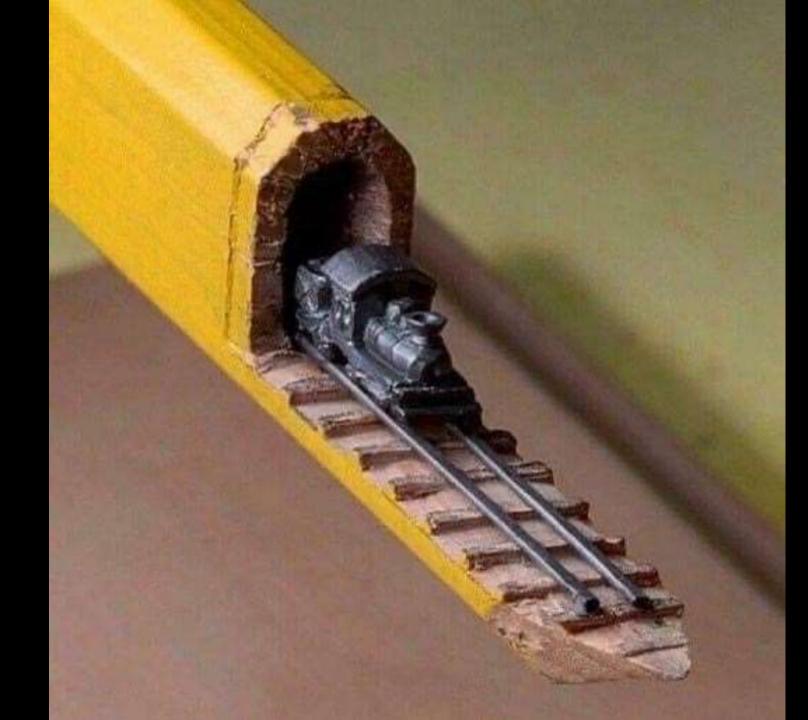
Momma Sock looking at Daughter Sock

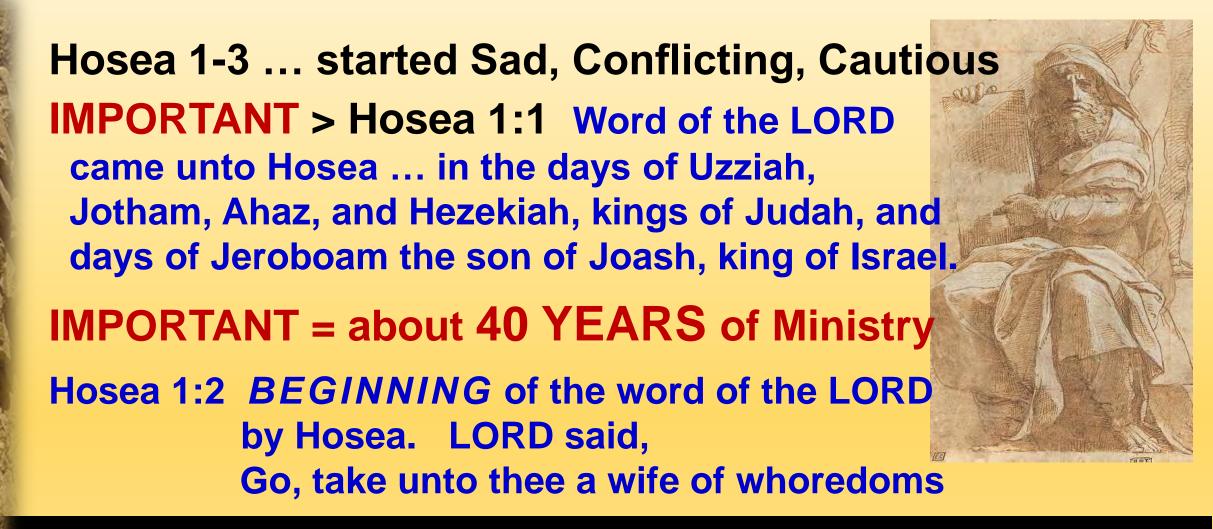




Train
Carved
on a
PENCIL







Hosea chapters 4-14 > AFTER he Marries Gomer

Hosea 4-14 are Hosea's 40 YEARS of Ministry



Hosea 1-3 ... started Sad, Conflicting, Cautious God tells Hosea to take a wife from Whoredom 1:2 Marries Gomer ... chapter 3 BUYS her Back

We concluded God did NOT SEND Hosea to the Chicken Ranch

Hosea did NOT Choose WARES from a Display As sad as it was ... as a teen, he loved Gomer Broke his heart ... when she went astray ... Broke his heart ... to see her abused, bruised ...

Gomer was ALWAYS Hosea's Girl

When God said GO – Hosea *knew* where to go ...



Hosea 1-3 ... started Sad, Conflicting, Cautious

CRITICALLY IMPORTANT TO SEE THIS

If there is NO LOVE – there's NO MESSAGE

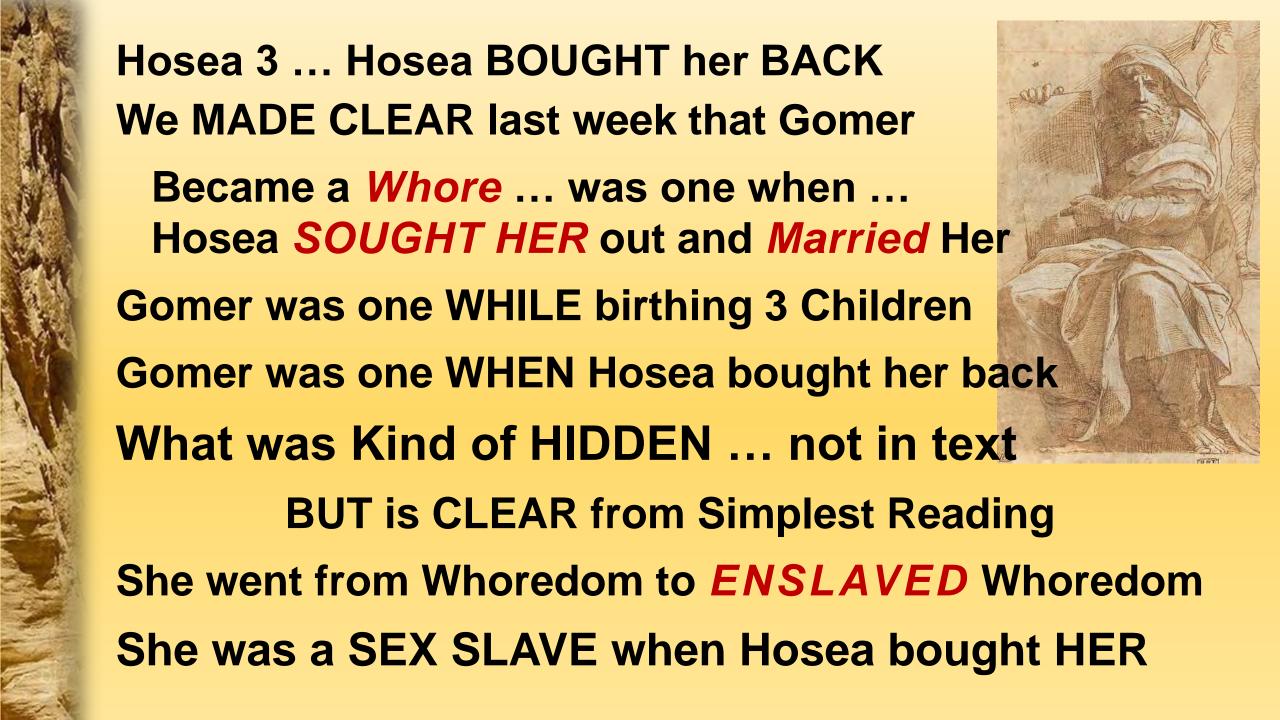
How did Hosea LOVE Gomer?

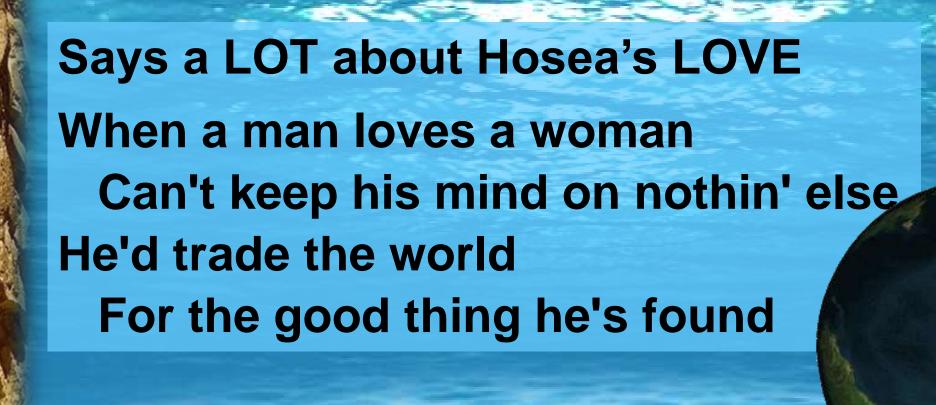
From the N.T. ... God NEVER asked anyone to Marry without LOVE ... including Hosea

NO Resolution to Hosea without LOVE

Message of Hosea is that Hosea LOVED Gomer As God Loves US ... as we are to GOD

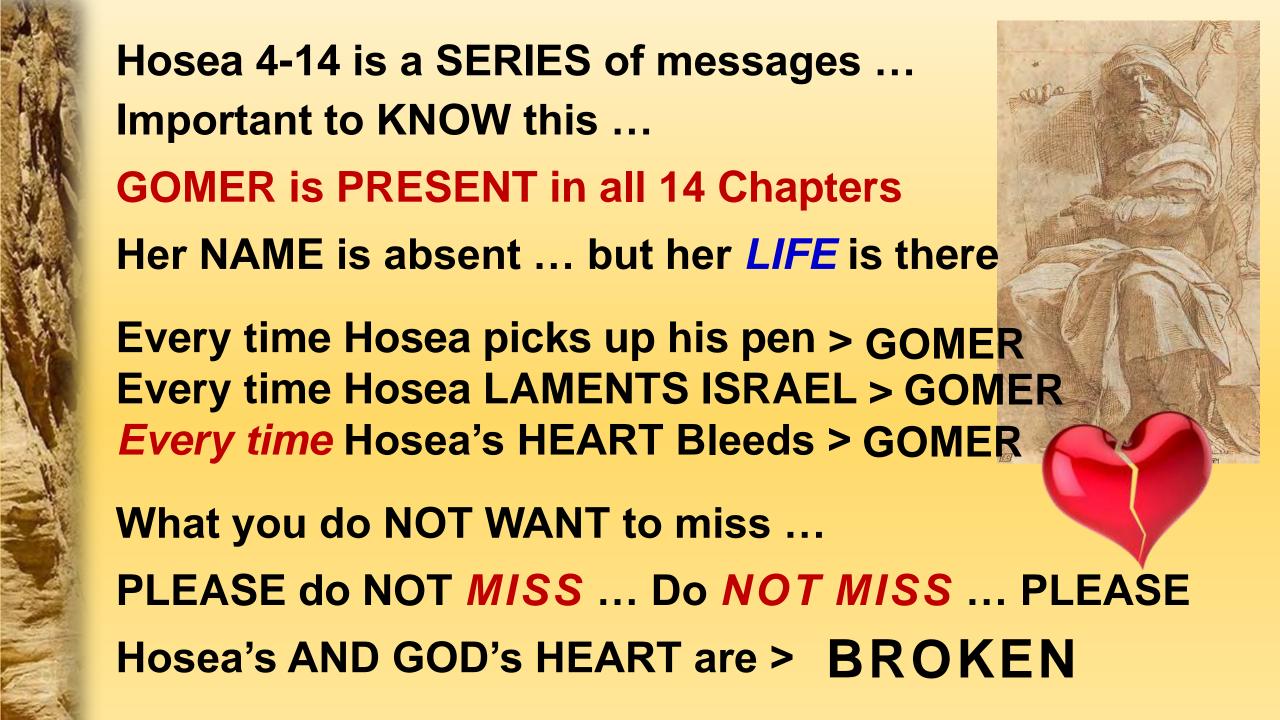
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If she is *BAD*, he can't see it She can do *NO Wrong*





Hosea 4-14 is a SERIES of messages ...

Your GUESS on how many ... good as any Outlines VARY as to how many MESSAGES

Some by the Chapters –

4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9-10, 11-12, 13, 14

We go roughly with the quarterly in dividing

Hosea 4-6 Hollow Promises

Hosea 7–13 Sin Harvested with

Hosea 14 Restoration Promised

In ALL these
Do NOT forget
Gomer

OMER

PAIN of seeing your LOVE Hurt
PAIN of seeing your LOVED WIFE LOST



Hosea 4-6 ... Laments & Curses ... Chapter 4 starts the Laments

1 Hear the word of the LORD ...
the LORD has a charge to bring ...
"There is no faithfulness, no love,
no acknowledgment of God in the land.

Can you FEEL Hosea to Gomer

"I gave you a HOME ... but you, Dear GOMER You've gone to Big Pete ... the Thief & LIAR!

2 There is only cursing, lying and murder, stealing and adultery; they break all bounds, and bloodshed follows bloodshed.



Hosea speaking for God

5 You stumble day and night, and the prophets stumble with you. So I will destroy your mother—

6 my people are destroyed from lack of knowledge....

7 they exchanged their glorious God ...

12 My people consult a wooden idol, and a diviner's rod speaks to them.

A spirit of prostitution leads them astray ...

After son Jezreel is born ... Gomer leaves for MONTHS



Josh Turner

There's a long black train Coming down the line

Feeding off the souls that are lost and crying

Rails of sin only evil remains
Watch out brother for that
Long Black Train

Look to the *HEAVENS*You can look to the skies

You can find redemption Staring back into your eyes





Alternate Title

Prophet of the Long Black

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Hosea gets more news ... as he travels

13 sacrifice on the mountaintops ... under oak, poplar and terebinth ... daughters turn to PROSTITUTION ... daughters-in-law to ADULTERY.

practically repeats

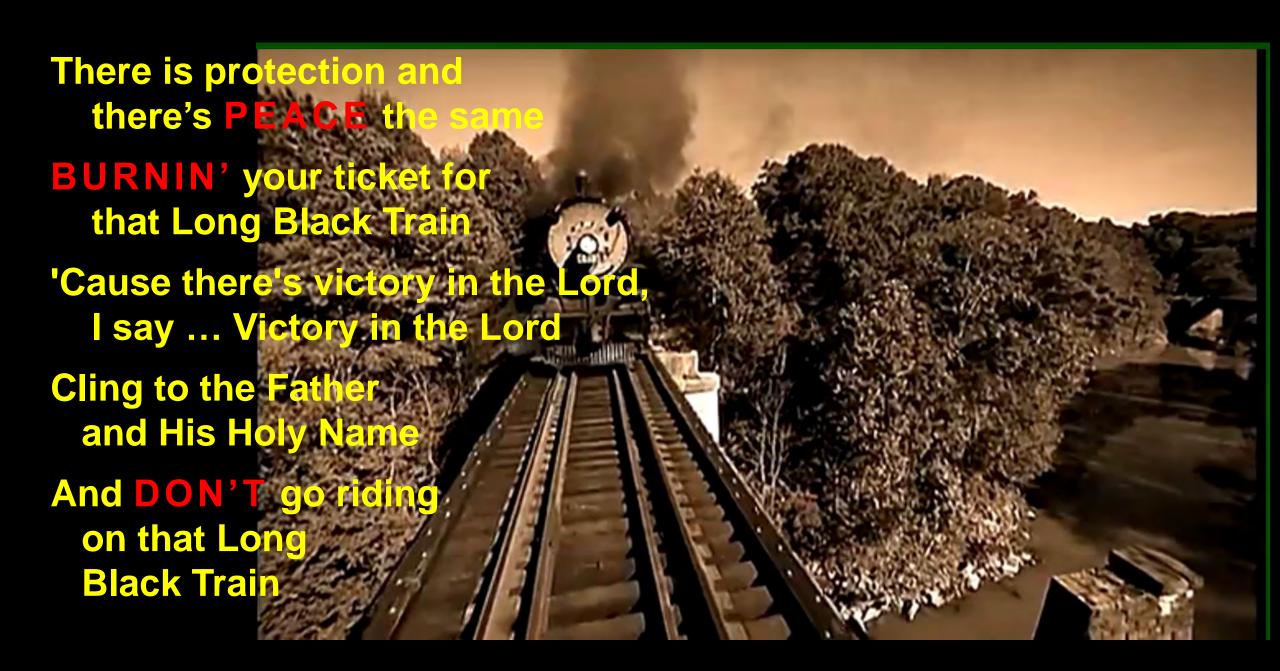
14 ... men consort with harlots ... shrine prostitutes

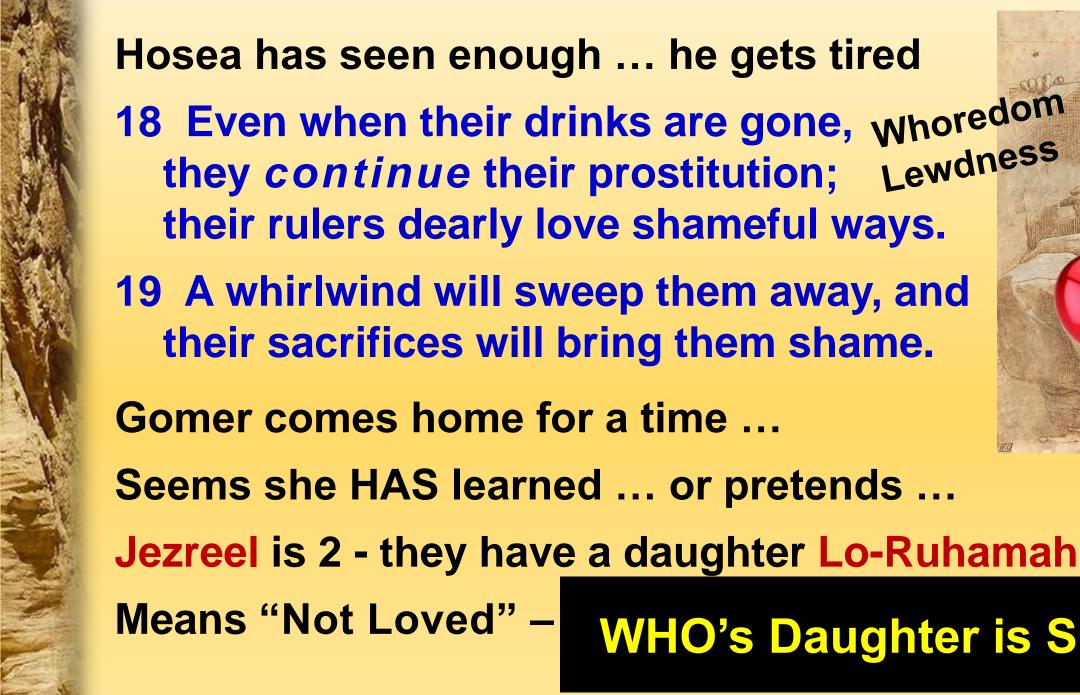
people without understanding will come to ruin!

As Hosea travelled ... man here & there ask him:

"Hosea, sir ... did you know I, we ... had ... GOMER?"

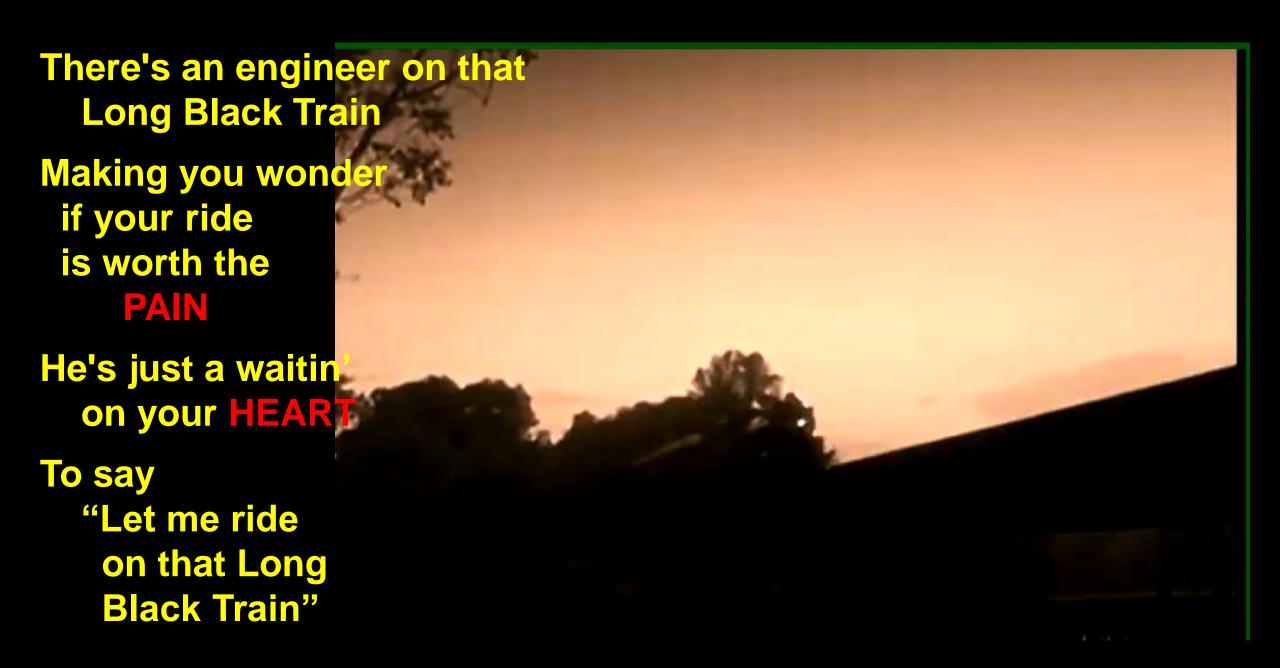








WHO's Daughter is SHE??



Hosea chap 5 – as Hosea TRIES to minister

SEES the looks on men's faces ... who had been with GOMER ... High Ladies talk too

- 6 When they go with their flocks & herds to seek the LORD, they will not find him ...
- 7 They are unfaithful to the LORD; they give birth to illegitimate children
- 11 Ephraim ... trampled in judgment, pursuing idols.
- 12 I am like a moth to Ephraim, like rot ...

GOMER home again –

When Lo-Ruhamah turns 1 ... GOMER leaves AGAIN



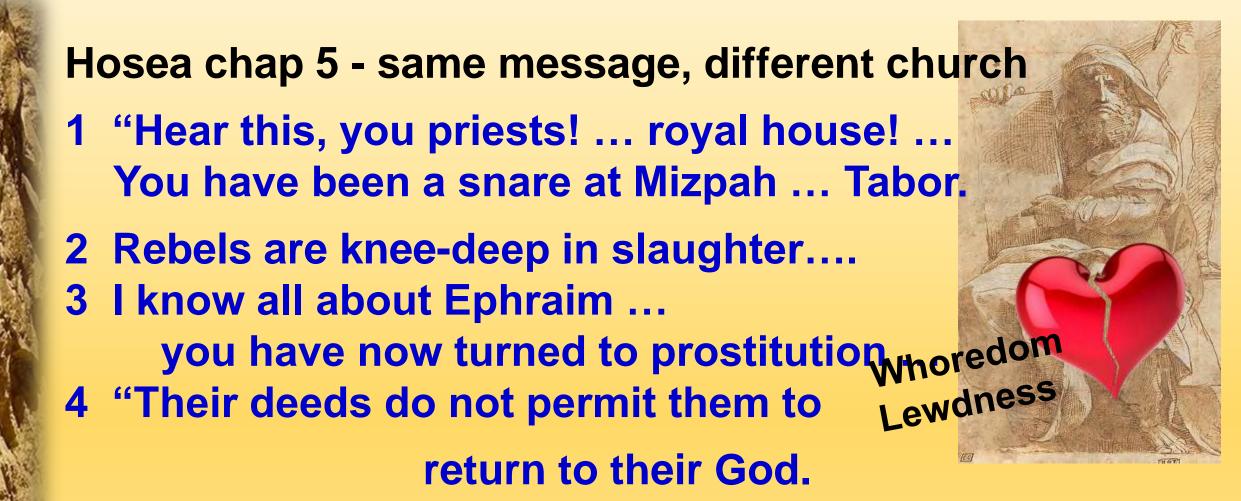
Hosea chap 5 – Hosea & God MUST Judge

8 "Sound trumpet in Gibeah ... horn in Ramah ...

14 I will be like a LION to Ephraim ... Judah I will tear them to pieces and go away; I will carry them off....

15 Then I will return to my lair until they have borne their guilt and seek my face— in their misery they will earnestly seek me."

Jezreel is 5 ... daughter Lo-Ruhamah is 3 ... asking Little girl is asking about her mother, GOMER



A spirit of prostitution is in their HEART

Son Jezreel is 4, daughter Lo-Ruhamah 2 years old ... Hosea hires a local lady to help ... GOMER gone again

Hosea chap 6 – Hosea's & God's Mercy RISE

1 "Come, let us return to the LORD.

He has torn us to pieces
but he will heal us ...

2 After 2 days ... revive us ... 3, restore us 🛴

3 Let us acknowledge the LORD ...

As surely as the sun rises, he will appear; he will come to us like the winter rains, like the spring rains that water the earth."

Hosea ... GOD ... CARES ... LONGS For ... LOVES
Hosea GOMER ... GOD Israel ... but they're WHORES

Well, I can HEAR
the whistle
from a MILE away

It sounds so good
But I must STAY AWAY

That train is a BEAUTY making everybody STARE

But its only destination is the middle of

Truth

NOWWERE

LIES

Hosea chap 6 – Hosea's & God's LOVE ...

4 "What can I do with you, Ephraim? ... Judah? Your LOVE is like the morning mist, like the early dew that disappears.

Hosea home alone, son 7, daughter 5
How FAST Gomer/Israel RUNS ... to lovers

5 Therefore I cut you in pieces by prophets, I KILLED you with the WORDS of my mouth....

6 For I desire mercy, not sacrifice ...

Hosea is home alone ... son 7, daughter 5 ... Who's? Rumors ... RUMORS ... Gomer has gone north ...

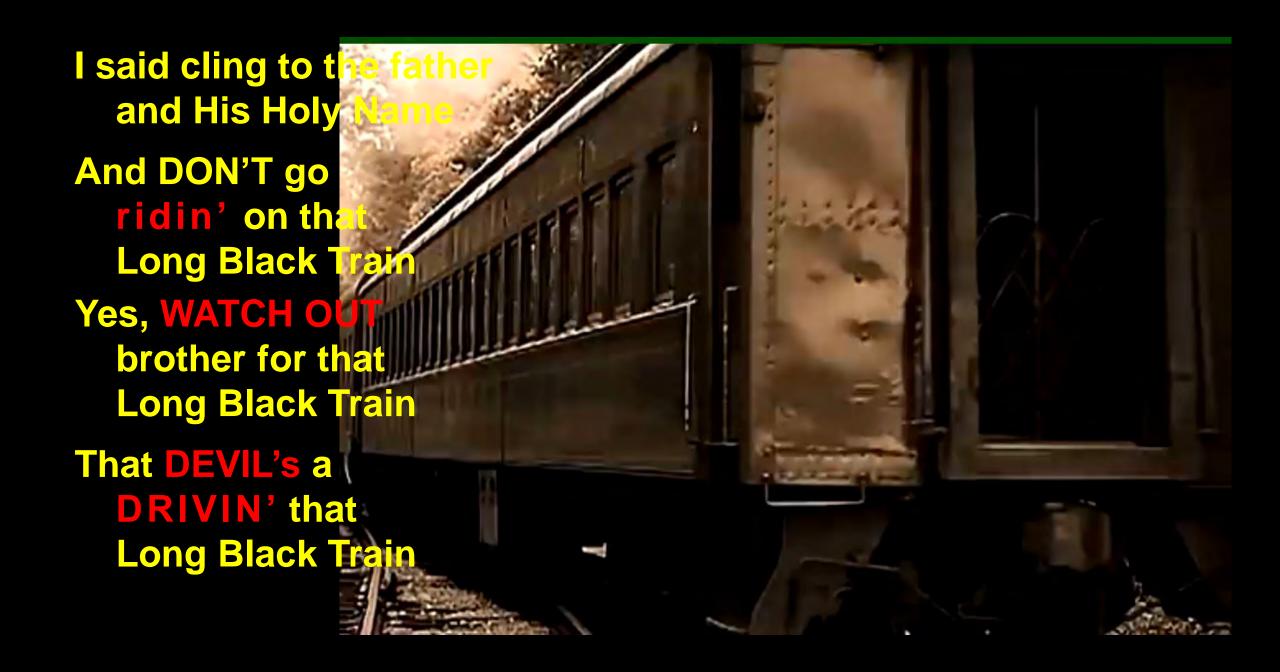
Hosea chap 6 – Hosea & God pain, pain

7 As with Adam, they've broken the covenant; they were unfaithful to me there.

- 8 Gilead is a city of evildoers, stained with footprints of blood.
- 9 As marauders lie in ambush for a victim, so do bands of priests ... murder ... carrying out their wicked schemes.

EVERYWHERE Hosea goes ... all over Israel ...

Hosea checks in at HOME ... Son is 8, daughter is 6
Word is ... sad ... GOMER is in bondage, a Sex Slave



Hosea chap 6 – Hosea & God WONDER

9 ... bands of priests ... murder ... carrying out their wicked schemes.

10 I have seen a horrible thing in Israel:

There Ephraim is given to prostitution redomination is defiled.

11 Also for you, Judah, a harvest is appointed.

IF only ... ISRAEL would be faithful to GOD IF only ... GOMER would be faithful to HOSEA

Hosea looks ... Jezreel is 9 ... Lo-Ruhamah is 7 years old

Hosea Prays ... and Prays ... and Prays

WORLD Watches ATTACKS on the Church WORLD Laughs at Hosea's FAITH God has OVERCOME the WORLD with LOVE God LOVED us FIRST ... while Christ on Cross God IS FAITHFUL when No One else will be Stay OFF the Long Black Train 'Cause there's victory in the Lord, (*) I say ... Victory in the Lord Cling to the Father and His Holy Name