

Bible Study - God's Kingdom (The Big Picture)

Wk 5 - The Prohesied Kingdom: Hosea 1-3

There are 17 Prophetic books in the Bible referred to as Major Prophets and Minor prophets. The Minor prophets are not less important, they are so named because their books are shorter. Hosea is a minor Prophet, he depicts Israel's unfaithfulness with a number of images from family and nature; yet Israel's unfaithfulness is still not enough to exhaust God's redeeming love.

Opening Questions:?

1. What is the role of a Prophet?
2. What does unfaithfulness look like today?

Read Hosea 1:1-11 & 3:1-5

1. What is the story before us?
 - (a) What do you think God is conveying through these verses?
2. How does the relationship between Hosea and Gomer mirror the relationship between God and his people?
3. What do the children's names teach about God's Judgement?
4. What hope is seen in this passage?
 - (a) How does this hope relate to the promises to David & Abraham?
 - (b) How does it compare with Isaiah 10:20-21, 49:6, 53:5-6

