

HOSEA

Hope for Spiritual Harlots

“Have We Learned Hosea’s Message?”

INTRO: *We conclude our study of Hosea with a liturgy on repentance and a sobering question for his readers.*

I. As a loving heavenly _____, God will discipline His spiritual _____ for their _____. We should expect to receive God’s discipline for our sin (Hebrews 12:6).

II. _____ by God’s spiritual _____ can restore what was lost through the Father’s _____ of _____ (14:4-8). While sin’s natural consequences may continue, that which God has promised for faithfulness is returned.

III. Be _____: Practice a lifestyle of _____ (14:1-3, 9). For Hosea, true repentance involves three things.

A. _____.
Admitting you’ve messed up and are headed in the wrong direction is the first step.

B. _____.
Confession is agreeing with God and is expressed verbally.

C. _____.
Turning away fully and finally from idols is an earnest pledge.