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Daily Bible Notes/Highlights Genesis through Revelation 2014

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Hosea

C5 This continues to be an indictment against the leaders. Both Israel and Judah are included (5). This is one of the times that prior to both falling, both are indicted. The prophecy is emphatic that both will be punished. Note when people are sin-sick, they know it (13). As with Israel they go or turn to the wrong direction.

C6 The refrain is simple. It's the same stated by other prophets. Return to The Lord. God's people who have fallen are told to return. He always initiates the relationship or is calling for those to be joined to Him. Therefore others are told to turn to Him or choose Him. Israel and Judah's love vanishes with the passage of time, and with distractions.

C7 The unfortunate fact is that God's people can fall in love with sin. Name it: adultery, lying, drunkenness the sins are numerous, continuous and therefore God repeats the conditions throughout the books of prophecy i.e., these are not anomalies. These are practices. Then when trouble comes they turn to heathen nations. There is even reference to self-mutilation and looking almost to anything to turn their circumstance.

C8 Again, the depth of the sin is emphasized. And the fact is it is too late to avoid correction. It's too late to also old punishment. This is not because God is not able. It is because their condition is pathological. Graphically, they are like a donkey in heat (9). It is an amazing visual of an animal looking among any and all animals to find a mate. Anything and everything can take advantage of the donkey in heat.

The bottom line is that there is no excuse. They have been given the laws (12). And they will be held accountable (13).

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