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#### Hosea 1:1

The Lord gave this message to Hosea son of Beeri during the years when Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah were kings of Judah, and Jeroboam son of Jehoash was king of Israel.

#### Hosea 1:2

When the Lord began to speak through Hosea, the Lord said to him, "Go, marry a promiscuous woman and have children with her, for like an adulterous wife this land is guilty of unfaithfulness to the Lord."

## So he married Gomer daughter of Diblaim, and she conceived and bore him a son.

## Hosea 1:4 Then the Lord said to Hosea, "Call him Jezreel, because I will soon punish the house of Jehu for the massacre at Jezreel, and I will put an end to the kingdom of Israel.

Hosea 1:6 Gomer conceived again and gave birth to a daughter. Then the Lord said to Hosea, "Call her Lo-Ruhamah (which means "not loved"), for I will no longer show love to Israel, that I should at all forgive them.

### **Hosea 1:8** After she had weaned Lo-Ruhamah, Gomer had another son.

## Rosea 1:9 Then the Lord said, "Call him Lo-Ammi (which means "not my people"), for you are not my people, and I am not your God.



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# Principle #1

#### God's divine, irrational love is not given according to the worthiness of the receiver, it is given in accordance to the heart and character of the Giver.



#### God's divine, irrational love is freely offered to us, but it came at the highest price imaginable.

## Rosea 3:1a Then the Lord said to me, "Go and love your wife again, even though she commits adultery with another lover.

## Rosea 3:1b This will illustrate that the Lord still loves Israel, even though the people have turned to other gods and love to worship them.

## Hosea 3:2So I bought her back for fifteen pieces of silver and five bushels of barley and a measure of wine.



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#### You cannot give away what you do not have.

Unless you have had a profound encounter with God's supernatural love for you, and unless you are constantly and consistently experiencing and receiving it, it will be impossible for you to genuinely love others with God's love.



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## Hosea 2:16 "In that day," declares the Lord, "you will call me 'my husband'; you will no longer call me 'Baal'

## Hosea 4.1 Hear the word of the Lord, O people of Israel! The Lord has brought charges against you, saying: "There is no faithfulness, no kindness, no knowledge of God in your land.

#### Hosea 4:2

You make vows and break them; you kill and steal and commit adultery. There is violence everywhere — one murder after another.

#### Hosea 4:4

Don't point your finger at someone else and try to pass the blame! My complaint, you priests, is with you.

## Rosea 4:11b Wine has robbed my people of their understanding. They ask a piece of wood for advice!

## They think a stick can tell them the future! Longing after idols has made them foolish. They have played the prostitute, serving other gods and deserting their God.

#### Hosea 4:13a

They offer sacrifices to idols on the mountaintops. They go up into the hills to burn incense in the pleasant shade of oaks, poplars, and terebinth trees.

## Hosea 4:13b That is why your daughters turn to prostitution, and your daughters-in law commit adultery.

## Hosea 4:14a But why should I punish them for their prostitution and adultery? For your men are doing the same thing, sinning with whores and shrine prostitutes.

## Kosea 4:14b O foolish people! You refuse to understand, so you will be destroyed.


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# Hosea 1:10a Yet the Israelites will be like the sand on the seashore, which cannot be measured or counted.

#### Hosea 1:10b

In the place where it was said to them, 'You are not my people,' they will be called 'children of the living God.'

# Kosea 2:1 In that day you will call your brothers Ammi-'My people.' And you will call your sisters Ruhamah-'The ones I love.'

# Hosea 2:23I will show my love to the one I called 'Not my loved one.' I will say to those called 'Not my people,' 'You are my people'; and they will say, 'You are my God.'"



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## Loving others with God's divine, irrational love does not mean you'll never get burned or that the story will always end with a "happily ever after."



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