**THE HISTORY OF ISRAEL LESSON 17**

**DAY ONE**

Read 2 Kings 15-17 and Hosea 1:1-2

1. List the kings of

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| ISRAEL | HOW THEY DIED | JUDAH | HOW THEY DIED |
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2. a. Describe the spiritual condition of Israel (northern kingdom).

Answer here

b. How does God describe it in Hosea?

Second Kings tells us “The king of Assyria…marched against Samaria and laid siege to it for three years…(He)…captured Samaria and deported the Israelites…The king of Assyria brought people from Babylon…and settled them in the towns of Samaria” (17:5-6, 24). Archeologists discovered an inscription from King Saragon that says, “In my first year I captured Samaria. I took captive 27,290 people. People of other lands, who never paid tribute, I settled in Samaria.”

2 Kings 17

Answer here

3. List phrases which speak specifically of the northern kingdom going into captivity.

Answer here

4. a. What reasons are given for this captivity in 2 Kings 17?

Answer here

b. Was Judah guilty of the same sins? Explain.

Answer here

**DAYS TWO & THREE**

Read 2 Kings 17 and Hosea 1-3

1. Hosea’s children are named…

*Jezreel, meaning “God will scatter”*

*Lo-Ruhamah, meaning “hath not obtained mercy”*

*Lo-Ammi, meaning “not My people”*

* From these passages, how were these symbolic names fulfilled in 2 Kings 17? List verses.

Answer here

2. a. How was Hosea’s relationship to Gomer symbolic of God’s love for His people?

Answer here

b. What does Ephesians 5:25-32 say about how our relationship should be with Him?

Answer here

c. Give further insight from Revelation 19:7-9.

Answer here

d. List the “lovers” in Hosea that marred Israel’s relationship with God.

Answer here

e. PERSONAL: What similar things in our lives can mar our relationship with God if we allow it?

Answer here

3. List judgments Hosea predicted in 2:6-13 and how they were fulfilled in 2 Kings 17.

Answer here

4. How would you compare Hosea 2:14-23 with John 15:1-15 and Galatians 5:22-23?

Answer here

5. Give phrases from Hosea that symbolize Christ’s redeeming love for us.

Answer here

**DAY FOUR**

Read Hosea 4-10

1. a. Underline the words “knowledge,” “truth,” and “understand” in chapters 4-6. List the phrases containing them.

Answer here

b. How do these phrases apply to our day?

Answer here

2. Give verses with the phrases that speak of false prophets and priests in Hosea 5.

Answer here

3. To whom did Israel turn in her time of need in Hosea 5 and 7?

Answer here

4. Which phrases show God’s unchanging love for Israel in Hosea 6?

Answer here

**DAY FIVE**

Read Hosea 11-14

1. Comparing Matthew 2:13-15, to whom may Hosea 11:1 refer?

Answer here

Israel's diplomacy based on lies and their secret agreements between Assyria and Egypt in an attempt to play them against each other would bring disastrous results (Hosea 12:4). In Hosea's time, Bethel was the most important royal sanctuary in the northern kingdom. Sadly, it was also the very center of their idol worship. This was the place where their father Jacob had dedicated his life to God.

Hosea 12:2

2. What did Ephraim (another name for Israel) not know in Hosea 11?

Answer here

3. List phrases reaffirming God’s love in these chapters.

Answer here

4. CHALLENGE QUESTION: Give any background from your previous Bible knowledge of Jacob that is alluded to in chapter 12.

Answer here

5. Which verse of utmost importance in Hosea 13 could you compare with Acts 4:12?

Answer here

6. List phrases in Hosea 14 that give hope to a backslider?

Answer here