The Minor Prophets Hosea – Chapter 13



Remember

Hosea was a prophet in the northern kingdom of Israel, during a time when that kingdom moved from prosperity to destruction, because of their great sin.

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Through Hosea God promised both final restoration and immediate punishment.



Remember

God describes his relationship with Israel as that between a loving father (husband) and his disobedient son (unfaithful wife).

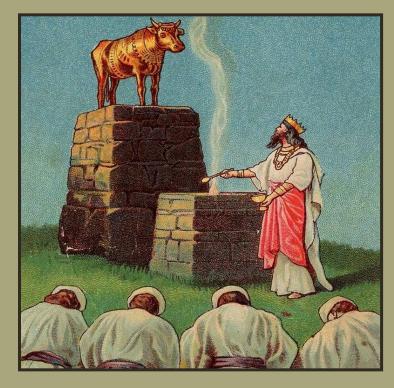


If God is a loving father, why do his children suffer?



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Hosea 13:1-2



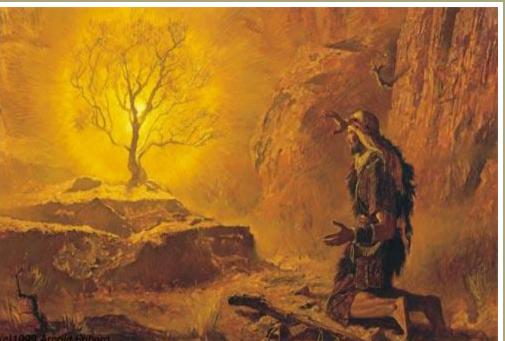
Ephraim Son of Joseph 10 Tribes of Israel King Jeroboam Caused Israel to sin



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Hosea 13:4 The Lord Your God Only God **Only Savior**



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Hosea 13:5-6



Hosea 13:7-8







A wide variety of translations Most suggest self-destruction Israel destroyed itself by rejecting God who is perfectly good.



Hosea 13:10-12

"I gave you a king in my anger, and I took him away in my wrath."







Ephraim refuses to be born...



In 1 Corinthians 15:55, the Apostle Paul reflects on this passage in speaking of resurrection and eternal life, but this probably goes beyond Hosea's thought.



Hosea speaks of the future of the nation of Israel, beyond its coming "death" as a nation. God has the power to ransom and redeem them...but will he?



Hosea has been saying all along that God will do so.

Whether he is confirming that here, in Verse 14, is a matter of dispute among translators.



Hosea 13:15-16

What is certain is that the kingdom shall fall.

