

**SUNGAI WAY-SUBANG METHODIST CHURCH**

**31 DEC 2023**

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**... AND BECAUSE  
YOU LOVE ME ...**

**Hosea 3:1-5 & Hosea 6:6**

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**“... and because you love ME ...”**

*(Part 2 .... A Message from the Book of Hosea)*

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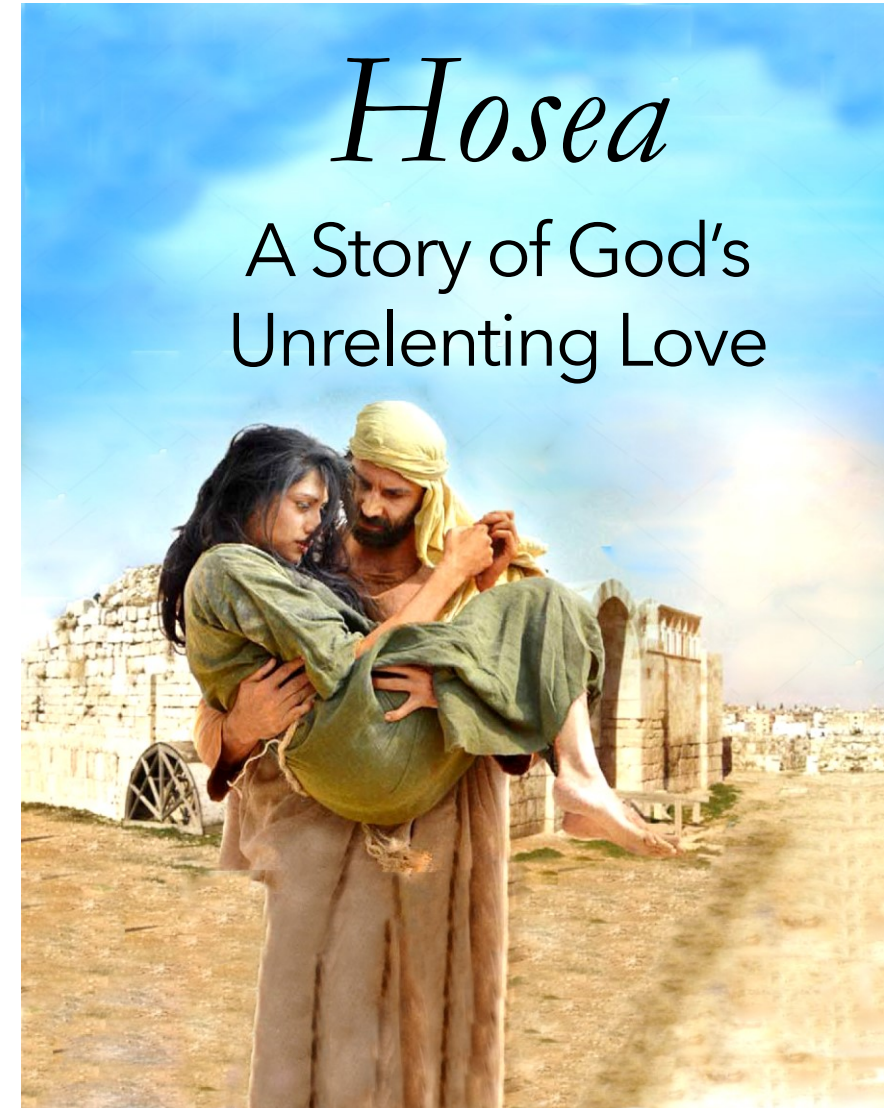
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# BOOK OF HOSEA

— "...Do you love ME? ..."

## 1. Recap

- **Covenant of Marriage;**  
illustration of God's relationship with us
- **Hosea marries a prostitute, Gomer;**  
she remains unfaithful, returns to prostitution, ends up in trouble and sold
- **Hosea Redeems & Restores her;**  
despite her unfaithfulness





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“....Do you love ME? ...”



## HOSEA

*God restores and redeems relationships.*

God used Hosea's love for his wife Gomer as a symbol of God's love for His people. Just as Gomer was unfaithful to Hosea, so God's people were unfaithful to His covenant. This redemptive story demonstrates that God never stops loving.

# GOD'S PASSION & LOVE FOR US

— by Pastor Gary Hamrick (Cornerstone Chapel)

## **1. Gods faithfulness is not conditional on your faithfulness to Him...**

*God's love for us is not conditional on how we behave though HE is grieved.*

## **2. God will take you back, forgive you and love you...**

*Just as Jesus, God never stopped pursuing us, even when we have left our first love.*

## **3. Sometimes the wilderness is the only place where we can hear Him...**

*Life is not going to be easy when we choose sin, that we realise & acknowledge God.*

## **4. God will discipline those He loves**

*God desires for His people to leave sin & return to Him!*



# BOOK OF HOSEA

— “and why it is such a beautiful love story for all...”



**Do you love HIM?**

# BOOK OF HOSEA – Part 2

— “...and because you Love ME...”

## Consecration

- **Qdash (Pronounced KAW-DASH')**

means to be set apart, to purify, to sanctify, or to hallow (e.g. To be set apart AS HOLY)

***“The separation of oneself from things that are unclean, especially anything that would contaminate one’s relationship with a perfect God.”***

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# **BOOK** OF HOSEA – Part 2

—“...and because you Love ME...”

## **WHY Consecration?**

### **1. God has called us to a holy life**

We are to pursue after holiness (2 Timothy 1:19)

### **2. HE is a Holy GOD & HE is worthy of it all**

(1 Peter 1:15-16 & Col 1:16)

We cannot serve two masters (Matthew 6:24)

### **3. Because GOD loves YOU**

Unworthy are we, yet He still calls us HIS masterpiece (Ephesians 2:10)



# BOOK OF HOSEA - Part 2

— "...and because you Love ME..."

***"Our God desires an intimate relationship with you and I ... but sin hinders and defiles this relationship ... and that's why holiness is so important."***

# BOOK OF HOSEA - Part 2

— "...and because you Love ME..."

## Satisfaction for me . I do what I like. No need for God

1. We all have **COMPROMISED** (Psalms 139:23-24)
2. **Doing things that do not give God glory** (Romans 3:23)
3. **SIN is enjoyable/ profitable ...(temporarily)**  
(Romans 7:19-15)

***Anything that we are more passionate for than God is Spiritual Adultery.  
Adultery is idolatry and it is anything we love more than Jesus.***

# **BOOK** OF HOSEA – Part 2

“....and because you Love ME...”

***“Reality is WE will never be satisfied when we stray from God and go after other loves.”***

***(Hosea 4:10)***

# **BOOK** OF HOSEA - Part 2

“...and because you Love ME...”

**Satisfies me . I do what I like. No need for God**



# **BOOK** OF HOSEA - Part 2

"...and because you Love ME..."

**Satisfies me ~~to do what I like.~~ No need for God**

**PAINFULL CONSEQUENCES**

- 1. Consequences to our rebellion - Discipline!**  
(Hebrews 12:6,10, Proverbs 3:12)
- 2. Life is not going to be easy - Until we Acknowledge**  
(Hosea 1:5-13, 5:14-15)
- 3. We MISS OUT on GODS blessings, favour, direction, etc**  
(Matthew 6:33, Hebrews 11:6, Romans 12:2)
- 4. Without holiness no one will see the Lord**  
(Hebrews 12:14, Psalm 24:3-4, Hosea 4:17 & 5:6)

# **BOOK** OF HOSEA - Part 2

— "...and because you Love ME..."

## **HOLINESS**

### **1. It's a life's Journey**

(1 Thess 5:23, John 17:17, Luke 9:23)

### **2. Its not that we are sinless but we choose to sin less** (Luke 9:23)

### **3. We choose holiness because we know HIM (HIS LOVE)** (Hosea 6:6)

# BOOK OF HOSEA – Part 2

— “...and because you Love ME...”

- Hosea 6:6 (ESV): *For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice, the **knowledge** of God rather than burnt offerings.*
- Knowledge (Hebrew “YADA”) = Knowledge of God here refers to **intimate fellowship with Him** rather than to an intellectual understanding of who He is.

***“The Lord wants a relationship, your heart, not religion nor obligation nor duty. He wants you to know Him intimately!”***

# **BOOK** OF HOSEA - Part 2

— "...and because you Love ME..."

## **HOLINESS**

**4. It's impossible to obey GOD if we don't love HIM**

(John 14:23-24)

**5. Love for HIM doesn't happen overnight**

(Mark 12:30-31)

**6. We are change by GOD's love** (2 Corinthians 5:14)

**7. Eternal Life is Knowing HIM** (John 17:3)

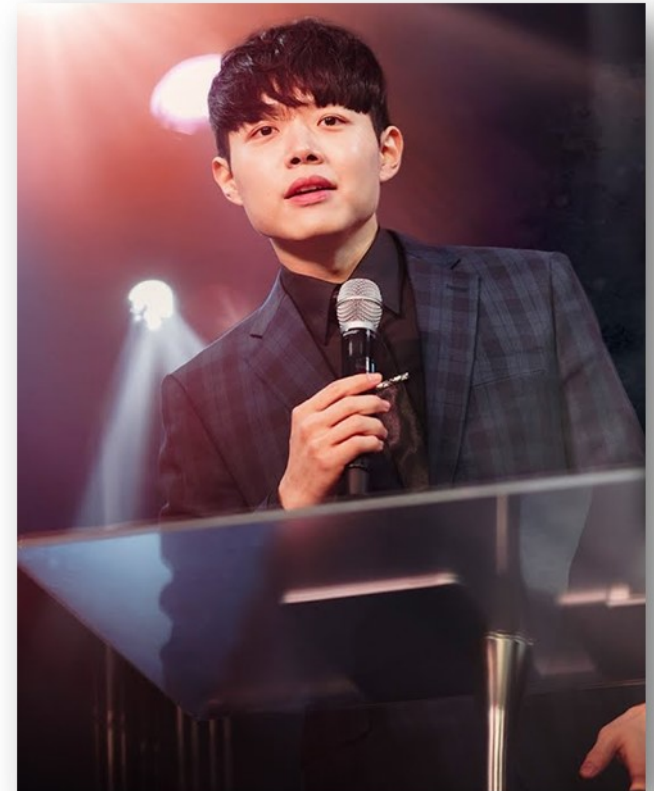


# BOOK OF HOSEA - Part 2

- Following Jesus is not about sacrifice or doing or going. The sacrifice, the doing and the going is a result of a love relationship with Him-

“....actually I don't do any healing or deliverance, I just follow Jesus and I love Jesus and that's just a by product of that and I am doing what Jesus did. Jesus did four things, the first one was teaching, the second healing, third deliverance and fourth was discipling so I am just following what Jesus did. So this is my ministry just following Jesus Christ my master.”

by Brother Hyeuk



# BOOK OF HOSEA - Part 2



The Testimony of Brother Hyeok

<https://www.youtube.com/live/W4Y6d4lg9Ro?si=Hr51XyrvWxqpadoZ&t=4415>

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— "...and because you Love ME..."

- Following Jesus is not about sacrifice or doing or going. The sacrifice, the doing and the going is a result of a love relationship with Him-

**"When you experience His love, holiness and His presence, you are going to avoid rubbish.** – he goes on to share that **"Pigs don't know what cleanliness is, they don't know what hygiene is, they just go into the rubbish... but when we experience His presence, we naturally avoid rubbish."** - by Brother Hyeuk

(Ref: Phil 3:7-8 7 But whatever were gains to me I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. What is more, I consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them rubbish, that I may gain Christ.)

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— "...and because you Love ME..."

WHAT IS YOUR PRICE?

A FILM BY JOEL RICHARDSON AND DALTON THOMAS

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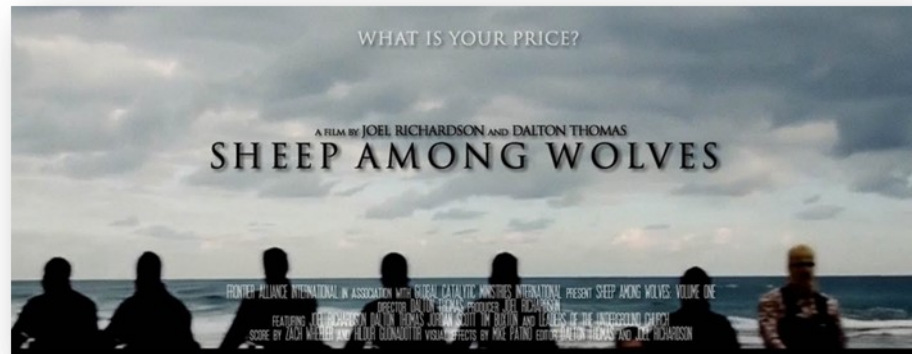


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“What are you going to do if radicals break down your door now and start raping all the girls including you?”

Her answer was simply this “I have given up everything for Jesus, I have given up my desires, I’ve given up even my future and at the moment when they come and rape me , I will close my eyes and say now I offer my body as a living sacrifice for you just as in Romans 12:1”.



- Sheep Among Wolves -

# BOOK OF HOSEA - Part 2

— "...and because you Love ME..."

- Closing-

## 1. Gods loves you with an everlasting, unending and unconditional love-

The LORD said to me, "Go, show your love to your wife again, though she is loved by another man and is an adulteress.

**Love her as the LORD loves the Israelites, though they turn to other gods and love the sacred raisin cakes.**" So I bought her for fifteen shekels of silver and about a homer and a lethek of barley.

Hosea 3:1-2

# BOOK OF HOSEA – Part 2

“...and because you Love ME...”

## 2. God invites you on a journey of holiness (set apart for Him)

Then I told her, “You are to live with me many days; you must not be a prostitute or be intimate with any man, and I will behave the same way toward you.” For the Israelites will live many days without king or prince, without sacrifice or sacred stones, without ephod or household gods. Afterward the Israelites will return and seek the LORD their God and David their king. They will come trembling to the LORD and to His blessings in the last days.

Hosea 3:3-5

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- Summary-

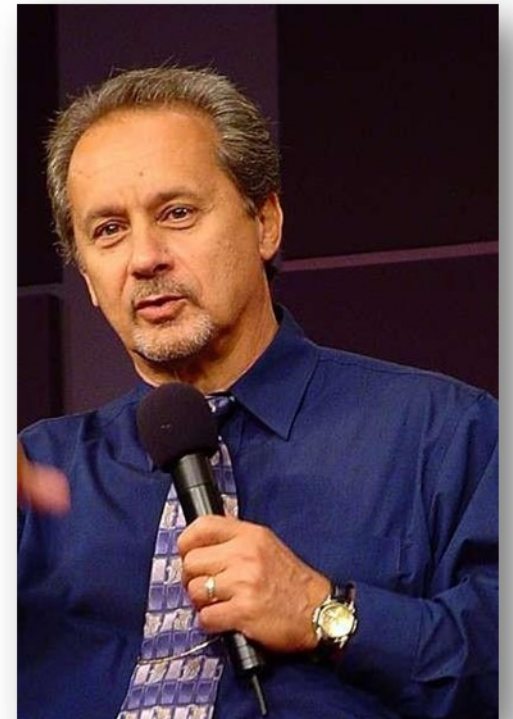
“We must firstly understand and know and experience HIS everlasting, unending and unconditional love for us first,  
then will we understand what holiness means to HIM,  
why HE requires holiness and why we choose holiness”

# BOOK OF HOSEA - Part 2

— “...and because you Love ME...”

- Repentance and coming to God with a broken & contrite heart-

“When we first come to Jesus, **He accepts us just as we are:** problems, sins and all. As our needs are met, however, we gradually discover that **God is seeking something from our lives.** What He seeks is our worship. But **true worship is the consequence—the result—of seeing God as He is.** It springs naturally from a soul purified by love; it rises like incense from a heart without idols.”



- Taken from *Holiness, Truth, and the Presence of God* by Francis Frangipane -

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— "...and because you Love ME..."

- Repentance and coming to God with a broken & contrite heart-

“Christ does not personally destroy the idols of sin and self within us.

Rather, **He points to them and tells us to destroy them.**

This message is about repentance.

If you withdraw from the sound of that word, it is because you need a fresh cleansing of your soul. In fact, we are talking about a type of repentance that is uncommon to those who only seek forgiveness but not change.

We are speaking of **deep repentance—a vigilant, contrite attitude that refuses to allow sin or self to become an idol in our hearts.**

He has not saved us so we can live for ourselves again; He has saved us for Himself “

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*by Francis Frangipane-*



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- A choice we must all make -

1. "Consecrate yourselves, for tomorrow the LORD will do amazing things among you" (Joshua 3:5).
2. "Choose this day whom you will serve, ...but as for me and my household, we will (choose to) serve the Lord" (Joshua 24:15)