

Hosea 5

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5 Hear ye this, O priests; and hearken, ye house of Israel; and give ye ear, O house of the king; for judgment is toward you, because ye have been a snare on Mizpah, and a net spread upon Tabor. (Mizpah was a watch tower. <watching the Word of God>. They turned it into a place of harlotry) (Tabor was a mount of shrines to pagan gods)

²And the revolvers are profound to make slaughter, though I have been a rebuker of them all. (Spiritual slaughter of souls with false teaching)

³I know Ephraim, and Israel is not hid from me: for now, O Ephraim, thou committest whoredom, and Israel is defiled. (They were not hidden then and they are not hidden now. God knows where the 10 tribes all are. They're not lost – see the history of Europe, Canada and the US)

⁴They will not frame their doings to turn unto their God: for the spirit of whoredoms is in the midst of them, and they have not known the LORD. (All they know is idolatry. They have completely taken God out of their lives)

⁵And the pride of Israel doth testify to his face: therefore shall Israel and Ephraim fall in their iniquity: Judah also shall fall with them. (Judgment – for their evil deeds towards God) (Judah fell to captivity 200 years after Israel did)

⁶They shall go with their flocks and with their herds to seek the LORD; but they shall not find him; he hath withdrawn himself from them. (They abandoned God. They did it to themselves)

⁷They have dealt treacherously against the LORD: for they have begotten strange children: now shall a month devour them with their portions. (They will go down quickly) (They have mixed with the heathen tribes around them. God told them not to do that)

⁸Blow ye the cornet in Gibeah, and the trumpet in Ramah: cry aloud at Bethaven, after thee, O Benjamin. (If the Assyrian is in Benjamin, then the 10 tribes have already fallen)

⁹Ephraim shall be desolate in the day of rebuke: among the tribes of Israel have I made known that which shall surely be. (Not maybe)

¹⁰ The princes of Judah were like them that remove the bound: therefore I will pour out my wrath upon them like water. (remove the bound – remove the boundaries; they lose all knowledge)

¹¹ Ephraim is oppressed and broken in judgment, because he willingly walked after the commandment. (The false commandment of false teachings, not God's commandments) Deuteronomy-28:33-44

¹² Therefore will I be unto Ephraim as a moth, and to the house of Judah as rottenness. (Destruction from within)

¹³ When Ephraim saw his sickness, and Judah saw his wound, then went Ephraim to the Assyrian, and sent to king Jareb: yet could he not heal you, nor cure you of your wound. (The Assyrian is the enemy, also used as a type for Satan in the future) (You don't go to the enemy to be healed. It's a losing battle)

¹⁴ For I will be unto Ephraim as a lion, and as a young lion to the house of Judah: I, even I, will tear and go away; I will take away, and none shall rescue him. (God will tear them up like a lion does to its prey)

¹⁵ I will go and return to my place, till they acknowledge their offence, and seek my face: in their affliction they will seek me early. (They will hurt until they repent and get right with God. Only then will He forgive them and take them back)