

OF FAITH AND DISOBEDIENCE: Part 2
Hosea 2:2-13

1. As the Hebrews entered Canaan after the forty-year exodus, they allowed the worship of foreign gods to become incorporated into their lives. This SIN, syncretism, is the blending of the worship of Yahweh with other gods.
2. Once syncretism is introduced, it grows and by its very nature takes the focus off of God and robs Him of his right to our WORSHIP.
3. *"So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do ALL to the glory of God."* 1 Corinthians 10:31
"For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be GLORY forever. Amen." Romans 11:36
4. God's judgment is meant to create in mankind the desire to reconcile with HIM. Just as God judged Israel, so will God judge America. Will America turn back to Him?
5. *"And in that day, declares the LORD, you will call me 'My Husband,' and no longer will you call me 'My Baal'. For I will remove the names of the Baals from your mouth and they shall be remembered by NAME no more."* Hosea 2:16-17
6. *"And she did NOT know that it was I who gave her the grain, the wine, and the oil, and who lavished on her silver and gold, which they use for Baal."* Hosea 2:8
7. Gomer, a foolish and self-seeking woman is, in reality, Israel. She accepted provisions without question, assuming they were from her lover. and failed to recognize that the true SOURCE was Hosea, who is, in reality, God.
8. *"Have you not put a HEDGE around him and his house and all that he has, on every side? You have blessed the work of his hands, and his possessions have increased in the land."*
Job 1:10
9. If a man denies that blessings come from God and selfishly misuses them, God will be gentle in correcting him, reminding him that they are to be passed on to bless others. Rebuke becomes HARSHER if no repentance follows.
10. There is SPIRITUAL strength in numbers; the family is stronger than the individual and the church is stronger than the family.