

## Catalyst Group Discussion Questions - Hosea 4:1–19

### Week of October 9, 2011

*The fourth chapter of Hosea begins a new section to the entire book. In this section we find a collection of sermons that Hosea gave to the people of Israel to call them back to God.*

*In Hosea four we are taken to the courtroom where God lays out a series of charges against His people for their unfaithfulness to Him. Overall they show a God who is jealous for His glory and his people.*

#### Discussion

Describe a time when you were confronted and accused (rightly) of something. How did you feel as you were accused? How did you respond? What does God intend to happen when he accuses is people of their spiritual adultery?

#### Examination

- What is the result of Israel's blatant disregard for the holiness of God (verse 3)?
- Who does God hold responsible for the people's lack of knowledge concerning God? How is this seen today in the church?
- How did Israel mix their worship of God with the worship of false God's?
- Why does God warn Judah not to get involved with the spiritual adultery of Israel? What kind of effect was that warning to have on the people of Israel?

#### Application

- Where do you see spiritual adultery in your own life? Where do you see it in the church?
- How does devaluing the Word of God equate to spiritual adultery? What are the results of disregarding God's word?
- Why does God place such a high value on right worship of Him?
- How has God spoken to you as a result of studying Hosea 4?

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