

Catalyst Group Discussion Questions - Hosea 8:1–9:17

Week of October 30, 2011

Hosea continues to bring God's Word to the people of Israel. Yet instead of calling them to repentance he shows them the depth of their sin and depravity and declares the certainty of God's judgement upon them. Israel had appointed their own kings, rejected the prophets and had prostituted the priesthood in rebellion against God.

Discussion

- Share a time when you were deceived? How did you realize that you were deceived and what did you do to find out the truth?

Examination

- If you could capture Israel's attitude in a single sentence how would you describe them?
- How did Israel demonstrate that they were deceived about their relationship with God?
- What consequences of their unfaithfulness does God say will befall the nation?
- What is the most terrifying statement of chapter 8 or 9 to you? Why?

Application

- How has self-reliance shown itself in your life? Why is this a dangerous attitude?
- How have you "planted the wind and reaped the whirlwind" in your own life?
- What about yourself are you self-confident regarding? How can that be dangerous spiritually?
- How does Jesus as the perfect prophet, priest and king expose your self-deception and bring you back to God?
- What has God been speaking to you about from Hosea 8-9?

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