



Pamagat: Hosea’s Tragic Home Life (part 4 – The Door of Hope) Ang Pintuan ng Pag-asa

Hosea 2:14 “Therefore, behold, I will allure her, and bring her into the wilderness, and speak comfortably unto her. 15 And I will give her her vineyards from thence, and **the valley of Achor for a door of hope**: and she shall sing there, as in the days of her youth, and as in the day when she came up out of the land of Egypt. 16 And it shall be at that day, saith the LORD, that thou shalt call me Ishi; and shalt call me no more Baali. 17 For I will take away the names of Baalim out of her mouth, and they shall no more be remembered by their name. 18 And in that day will I make a covenant for them with the beasts of the field, and with the fowls of heaven, and with the creeping things of the ground: and I will break the bow and the sword and the battle out of the earth, and will make them to lie down safely. 19 And I will betroth thee unto me for ever; yea, I will betroth thee unto me in righteousness, and in judgment, and in lovingkindness, and in mercies. 20 I will even betroth thee unto me in faithfulness: and thou shalt know the LORD. 21 And it shall come to pass in that day, I will hear, saith the LORD, I will hear the heavens, and they shall hear the earth; 22 And the earth shall hear the corn, and the wine, and the oil; and they shall hear Jezreel. 23 And I will sow her unto me in the earth; and I will have mercy upon her that had not obtained mercy; and I will say to them which were not my people, Thou art my people; and they shall say, Thou art my God.”

Introduction:

1. Last week (2:1-13) we saw the LORD acting in punishment.
2. This week (2:14-23) we will see the LORD acting in pardon.
3. It is in the valley of Achor (“trouble”) that Israel returns to the LORD.

I. Gomer’s miseries awaken Hosea’s mercies.

- I will allure her, speak comfortably unto her.
- I will give her her vineyards
- I will take away the names of Baalim
- I will make a covenant for them (with nature)
- I will break the bow and the sword and the battle out of the earth, make them lie down safely.
- I will betroth thee unto me for ever. Thou shalt know the LORD.
- I will hear
- I will sow
- I will have mercy
- I will say...Thou art my people; and they shall say, Thou art my God.

II. Hosea’s prophecy climaxes in v.16 – Israel will not call God “Lord” but rather “Husband.”

- What will it take for Israel to get right with the LORD? – The Seven-Year Tribulation Period.

Conclusion:

1. The Prodigal son was not ready to return until he came to the end of himself.
2. Israel will need to come to the end of herself (in the Tribulation period) before she is ready to be reconciled to God.
3. Hosea was to purchase his sullied wife and she was to stay with him, typifying the victory over idolatry.
4. For now: Since 722 B.C. (for Israel) and AD 70 (for the Jews) – the people have been deprived of the Temple – but this Temple will be revived in the Millennial Kingdom.