

## 28-Hosea02-Transcript-TS

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well greetings brethren and welcome to another wednesday night of bible study where we study the scripture

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line upon line and we're going through the fourth of the four eighth century prophets that is the 1:21

prophet hosea and i hope that i'm coming through loudly and clearly just doing a little bit of a workaround on the audio

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uh maybe as we just opened in prayer if i could rely on my brethren there that i usually do let me know if you are

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hearing me uh clearly let's open with the word of prayer and gratitude our heavenly father great god almighty

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we we come before you just humbled at the incredible privilege that we have

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lord to understand the things that we do to have a desire to understand more

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to search the scriptures to be taught by the scriptures to have the scriptures opened up to us these words that are

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ancient that are thousands of years old that many have discarded that many do

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not understand even if they desire to understand but yet father you've given us this desire and also this increasing understanding

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and we're just ever ever so grateful father because your word is a light onto our feet

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in a world that is growing darker and ever more dangerous we praise you father we thank you we

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thank you for these uh spring holy days the season that we're in now for the incredible passover and the days of

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unleavened bread and now as we go through this count of the feast of weeks leading into

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pentecost we we praise you father thank you for this ancient knowledge

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thank you for the confidence that we can have in your word and in your covenant and in your plan

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we thank you lord we thank you for jesus and we pray in his holy name amen

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amen and let me just check just to confirm i think it should be fine it looks good on my end but i just

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always want to make sure i don't go to yes all is good thank you so much awesome very very good

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um okay we're going through the book of hosea let me go ahead and share my screen and hope all of you had a

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wonderful uh passover and feast of unleavened bread we certainly did here

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and just how privileged we are to observe these days to understand these days and to grow in

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our understanding over time instead of just being stuck in a past understanding god's word is alive

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and well and we need to do we will do well by by digging into it so thanks for

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joining us and let's uh let's jump into the passages for tonight we closed we

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read on all three chapters as a unit and um you know may i say that uh

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you know pardon me for saying this but i i was uh i was somewhat perturbed

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maybe even disgusted would not be too strong a word to say uh of of the relationship that uh hosea

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was stuck in and and i think that that's exactly what god intended

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that this is such a a an extreme situation that if we don't read it and just feel

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somewhat sick then i think we're missing the point and i've got to say that uh reading this

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i did feel uh somewhat sick but nevertheless we we get through it and we we have to understand what is

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this message that god is trying to get across to us so we ended in chapter three and let me just pick up a couple

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of verses uh from chapter three where he says here just in chapter 3 and

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verse 1 then said jehovah unto me go yet

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love a woman beloved of her friend yet an adulteress

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according to the love of the lord toward the children of israel

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who who look to other gods and love flagons of wine

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so so jose is in this situation where he's basically marrying and supporting and looking

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after in a most faithful way the most unfaithful woman

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according in parallel with the love or as an expression of the love that god has for israel that israel is

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basically a prostitute a harlot a an adulteress

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so hosea says in verse 2 so i bought her to me for 15 pieces of silver and for a homer

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of barley and half a homer of barley so we see this situation where it appears

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that uh hosea is is buying this woman gomer we believe

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who's in some kind of sexual slavery being abused she put herself in this situation

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and she's in trouble and uh he is purchasing her back

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because of his love toward her and this as as egregious as this is

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it's a symbol of what's happening between god and israel so before we get into

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chapters four and five today which is uh what we are covering chapters four and

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five so just before we get into that let me go back to torah let's go back to

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the torah and just get our foundation what what is this special relationship

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that god has with israel he says here in exodus 19 and verse 6

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you israel these these 12 tribes shall be unto me god you human beings

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descended from this man jacob you human beings in your 12 tribes

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you're going to be unto me the creator of the universe a kingdom

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a kingdom the world is going to look to you as a kingdom of priests

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you're going to be a an empire of priests it's going to be a holy nation and father

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a kingdom of priest a holy nation that this nation is just set apart and different from all the other nations of

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on the planet say saying to moses now these are the words which you shall speak unto the

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children of israel these are the precious words that reveal the precious plan

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of the creator of the universe to these human beings that he has chosen

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and moses came and called for the elders of the people

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and laid before their faces all these words which jehovah commanded him

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and all the people answered together they were this is incredible awe

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that they the state of all they were in and they all answered together and said

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all that the lord has spoken we will do this is a finding

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through their word this is why our words matter our oaths matter

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our covenants matter when god speaks he never goes back on his word

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and this kingdom of priests is to have god's character and to facilitate a relationship with

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god for the rest of mankind and the rest of mankind has to look to these human beings and see that wow what they speak

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they do like god and here this is the binding of their word with god

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we will it's like when a couple gets married and and will you take this other person

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as your as your spouse until death do you part and they say i

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will this is what they're saying we will we will

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all that the lord has spoken we will we will do and moses returned the words of the  
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people unto the lord jehovah so so now they're bound so with that as a backdrop we come to  
9:08  
chapter four and verse one he says hear  
9:14  
this isn't that's just like um i'm gonna speak it'd be nice if you could listen  
9:19  
that's not what this is saying it's the hebrew shama this is like here  
9:26  
and and obey what i'm saying it's even we could just say obey obey the word of jehovah  
9:32  
obey the word of the lord you children of israel now as he says that  
9:39  
these people understand this is torah he's pointing them back to torah  
9:45  
obey shama the word of the lord your children of israel for the lord has a controversy  
9:54  
with the inhabitants of the land this is chilling language you better obey you said you would  
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if i were you i would i would keep your oath because god has a conflict or or we  
10:07  
could say a legal case against you and he's going to pursue  
10:14  
his remedy to the full extent of the law you are in violation of the law  
10:20  
and he's bringing a case against you so if i were you i would snap out of it repent and get  
10:26  
back to your oath he has a controversy with who  
10:33  
with the inhabitants of the land we must always remember the covenant  
10:38  
involves land real estate is a part of this covenant we can't just dismiss the land  
10:44  
and say well you know god is done with israel he's done with judah the church replaces israel  
the  
10:51  
church replaces judah and we're just in this special relationship with god it's just us and god and  
and what there's no  
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land oh yeah well it's america the land is america and canada  
11:04  
and south africa and england this is the land no no that's wrong that's wrong that's  
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wrong thinking the land is the land

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it's not any land it's not a land it's the land that he promised to their fathers

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and there were conditions for them to inhabit that land and now they have

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violated those conditions and so he's saying he has a controversy with the inhabitants of the land in other words

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he's speaking to the covenant they're they're in the land but based upon the covenant they have no right to

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be so he has a controversy as a legal case against the people who are dwelling in

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the land why because there is no truth

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nor mercy nor knowledge of god in the land this is this is incredible

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these people were given this land blessed with it

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so that they could be a kingdom of priests so that the whole world would learn

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about truth so that the whole world would learn about mercy and so that the whole world would come

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into the knowledge of god so they're still in the land this is amazing they're still in the land

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but there's no truth nor mercy nor knowledge of god so so just it really starts with truth

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and truth is just like there's god says there's this is god speaking and god is not given to exaggeration this is just

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his evaluation that truth is gone there's no there's no there's no truth

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left and this mercy is cassette this is this is covenant love

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and we just came through passover and just re-established and reaffirmed our covenant love not just for god but

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for each other discerning the lord's body that this cassette is toward all the

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covenant community and it's gone they're violating each other they're

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destroying each other and they should be in covenant with each other nor knowledge of god and amos says when

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we studied amos he said god says that you only speaking to israel

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you only of all the families of the earth you only have i know

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and that sense of knowledge is this this intimacy in an in an intimate marital

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union that's that's this and yet they have thrown this away

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no nobody understands that there's nobody that understands the intimacy of god

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and how how he moves and how he operates and what to expect from it's all gone

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what what happened well let's go back to what should have happened

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if we go back to torah deuteronomy 30 and verse 19 moses is about to die and he says to

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them i call heaven and earth to record this day against you

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okay we've we've gone through everything i've given you everything that i know you're you're set up for success now

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you're going into the land you understand the conditions now before i die i'm calling heaven and

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earth against you to record this day as a witness that i have i've done my part i've set

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before you life and death blessing

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and cursing you're in a covenant with god and he will not break the covenant

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so if you violate the covenant in god's faithfulness he will bring cursing upon you

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if you observe and you're careful to observe the covenant in god's faithfulness he will bring blessing upon

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you but one thing you can be sure of god is faithful whatever he has spoken he

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will do so i'm recording this i'm calling heaven and earth to record this day against you

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that i have set before you life and death blessing and cursing therefore since you know this

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choose life why should you choose life that both you

15:13

and your seed may live this is this is a this is an ongoing

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covenant and as you adhere to it not only will you be blessed

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but your seed will be blessed your generations after you will be blessed and you will be this

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holy nation that that these people of this dna the whole world will look in awe

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to say truly these are the people of god he says he goes on to say that not only

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with will you and your seed remember it's not it's not just you don't just do this for you

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it's for your seed you don't just when you behave you're not just going to bring breath blessing upon yourself but your seed

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and when you violate the covenant your seed will suffer as well they're going to inherit the consequences of your poor

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decisions i mean this sounds so much like our life today you know it's it's hard to read

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this you know as i'm reading through hosea here and then he speaks of uh

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god's people as harlots as totally unfaithful and then he says that there's

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no knowledge of god in the land he has a controversy because there's no truth nor mercy nor knowledge of god in the land

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when you think of the christian nations that have prospered

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by this christian work ethic and this moral code that they got from

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scripture which which ultimately came through mooses how they have been blessed

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and look at these western nations today how they are just reaping curses upon

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themselves and how there there's just no knowledge of god in the land you stop the average young person today

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and say could you please recite the ten commandments you stopped a hundred young people to

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tell me if you find one that knows the ten commandments tell me if you find one that even knows

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who moses is well i think they'll probably say they've heard moses but to ask them like why why is moses

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important that there's just they're they're they're biblically illiterate knowledge of god has been removed from

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the land and in fact if you think about uh what america used to look like back in the

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day here's an article i saw what sundays were like of course they had the wrong day but they there was a christian

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nation at the values they what sundays were like look at the way they're dressed here

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look how they dress compared to how and pardon me for saying this but but

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how the of today dress that here's a christian family look how they're dressed

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what happened this is this is uh how people conducted themselves and and how uh in the 1950s

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here in ohio uh just house businesses were closed they they treated sunday as if it was the sabbath

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but look look how they dressed compared to the of today

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it's just shocking to me and pardon my language but this is this is you know the harlots of today

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how how young women dress in front of their parents or i shouldn't say dress is the wrong word how young women

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undress in front of their parents they don't dress they undress absolutely amazing

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he says there's just no knowledge of god in the land nor mercy

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you look at how we treat each other that there's no truth no mercy no knowledge of god in the land but he says

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here that he does this that they may love the lord their god

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and obey his voice that obey is shema that they may shema his voice that that

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is in fact what he is looking for that you may love the lord your god and you

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may obey his voice shamash when he says here it's the same it's the call back to the

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to the torah and that you may cleave unto him you should cleave unto him why should  
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you cleave unto him because he's your life and the length of your days

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and they've forgotten this they have forgotten that

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sorry i think i just lost my sound there sorry about that uh as though he says i was just saying  
here that uh

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let me just go back to the scripture he was saying here that that you may obey so

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you and your seed may live and that you may love the lord your god and that you may shema

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so at the very beginning of the chapter of hosea 4 when he says here he says shema it's a call to  
the torah

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shema is not just here like oh i heard what he said it's here with the intent to obey shema

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so he says the reason that you need to choose life moises is telling them that you may love the  
lord your god and that

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you may shema his voice and that you may cleave unto him why would you want to cleave to  
god

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because he's your life he's your life and the length of your days

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and and today this is lost that god is the source of our lives

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you look at this um this covet pandemic which is man-made

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but nonetheless where it is today it's a bad flu basically

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and look at the panic in society even in some in the church

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this society that used to be godly that used to rely on god now they rely on

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pharmaceuticals pfizer expects a record 100 billion in revenue this year thanks

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to the covid 19 vaccines and treatments this just so far results pfizer expects to bring in more  
than 50 billion in

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revenue this year from its covid 19 vaccine and oral medication further cementing the  
company's role as

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the world's go-to pharmaceutical partner in the

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pandemic that's what you need you need pfizer as your partner all these governments need

pfizer as

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their partner not god none of these nations see god as the especially judah the most vaccine the

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most valuable not the most vaccinated nation they're not seeing god as the source of their life and length of days they're

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seeing pfizer pfizer is the source of our life oh no we're in trouble there's a there's a pandemic

we need a partner our partner

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is pfizer who's making a hundred billion dollars in revenue and an obscene profit

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and this is what they're doing to their people so we just we we need to be careful as christians

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that we are not looking to profit making corporations as our partners in life you know when i

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first came into the church it was around the um the aids epidemic

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and i remember as you know everybody was terrified about aids and i came into the church and

i heard this minister preaching

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and i'd never heard this before he said these people behave a certain way

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that causes curses to come upon them and instead of repenting he says it's all cause and effect instead of

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repenting they want to continue in the sin and the cause of the curses

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but they just want these uh medications to remove the curses and he says you can hide it for a while

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but you cannot remove it's a cause and effect world and i'm sitting there as a young man and i'm thinking i've never heard this

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before this this makes so much sense and now here we are you know some 30 odd

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years later and uh we're hit with something similar with the same people who are trying to create the aids uh

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vaccination and medication and and we've lost the plot it seems to cause an effect world

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and we need to to address problems at their root cause he says

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um [Music] god is our our life he's our life we're in his hands

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and and dying in this physical state is not the end of the world it really isn't because there's a new

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world christ is coming with that new world that's the world we're looking for

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so so of all people on the earth christians should be the most calm

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the most collected in the face of global pandemics in the face of even war christ tells us

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don't be troubled these things are coming and so we need to demonstrate faith

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that we we read the word of god and we in fact believe it

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he says and just excuse me for a second i just want to go and get something give me one second

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sorry about that i think most of you know that i have some problem with my eyes sometimes it waters and i didn't have my uh handkerchief close by

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uh so he's our source of life and the length of we're not afraid of death i mean human beings are afraid of death

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but christians understand we can process death in fact that's the whole point that's when we when we're baptized we've

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processed death and we come up out of that water we grave and we're okay we're in god's hands we don't need to panic

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and we don't need to partner with pagans for source of life he says that you may dwell in the land

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in the land there are conditions to dwell in this land which the lord swore unto your fathers

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to abraham to isaac to jacob to give them so god is bound this is a real interesting conundrum

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the people are in the land and god is bound by covenant

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to have these descendants in that particular real estate he's bound at the same time he's bound by his word

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to eject them because of their unfaithfulness because of their violation of the covenant so it's a

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conundrum on the one hand they have to be in the land because of his covenant and on the

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other hand they have to be out of the land because of his covenant and the only way to resolve this conundrum is jesus christ that's the

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only way legally back to hosea 4 chapter 1

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or chapter 4 verse 1. so shema this is his callback to covet to torah shema the

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word of the lord you children of israel for jehovah has a conflict with your legal battle with you a legal case

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against you with the inhabitants of the land you're you're inhabiting the land what

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you're nasty and you're in the land when the land requires you to be holy

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so there's a legal case he has against you which is chilling if he exercises his case against you

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you're going to be ejected and don't don't rest on your laurels and think well we're the children of abraham we have to be here he needs nothing he can

27:01

do no he's faithful to his word because there is no truth nor mercy nor knowledge of god in the land

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and and we need to be sensitive to the land i think a lot of christians most christians don't care

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about the land this land the real estate the covenant land we don't care

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anything could be happening to it muslims could take over today go in there and just wipe all the jews

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out and take over the land and now it's a palestinian state and most christians would just maybe shrug their shoulders

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maybe they'd say hey this is prophetic and try to see well how does it why does it relate to prophecy but there wouldn't

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be like a sense of violation what are those pagans doing in the land

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but he says now there's no truth nor mercy no knowledge of god in the land he says by swearing

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and lying and killing and stealing

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these are the people of god brethren these are the people that came into the land

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in covenant with the law of god educated by moses directly

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by swearing that swearing as in making an oath and then breaking it

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if you say o thing if we could make that a verb by swearing and lying and killing

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they're killing each other and stealing and committing adultery these are the

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covenant people they break out they're not bound by the covenant they break out

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and blood touches blood this is like blood is spilling

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everywhere and again if we can just look to our day today just to give you a sense and you know

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america really needs that the nations the western nations but this is this is

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kind of ironic this is chinadaily.com this is china reporting

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on america as as we give up our

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leadership role in the world our hegemony in the world and hand it over to china now china is evaluating

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scrutinizing america u.s violent crimes surge u.s

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violent crime surge is due to social order breakdown that is the insight of

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this chinese paper evaluating america they're looking at the crime the united

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states has long earned notoriety for having major cities struggling with rampant crime waves it should be noted

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that the cities with the highest crime rates are largely controlled by democratic mayors and democrat

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majority-controlled city councils as they have often overlooked at the very least misjudged the societal ills

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lighting their metropolitan areas but you know they haven't overlooked let's be clear

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and i hope you know if you're a republican and i'm speaking to americans now if you're a republican you're

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basically supporting uh weak hypocrites hypocrites who are very weak and do not

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take the country very seriously there are a couple of exceptions but if you're supporting democrats

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these are evil people these these are these are communists who who have an agenda very clearly to

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destroy the nation and and we're watching it it's happening right under our noses

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as these communists seek clearly very clear agenda they're being very successful and if we deny this

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we're blind these are evil people instead of cracking down on criminal gang criminal gangs there's a tendency

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among many democrat politicians to voice support for slogans such as defund the police etc etc so

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here we see very similar to what was happening anciently in israel and these people are about to be disbanded and

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spread out by the assyrian empire and then they will spread through the

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world and it's no no wonder and then we see these nations

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that were established with bible in hand just as these folks were established

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with with with scripture in hand law in hand torah in hand

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uh these nations that were established with bible in hand now today there's no mercy there's no truth

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there's no mercy there's no knowledge of god in the land so so the way god treated anciently the

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israelites should there be any surprise if god treats the people the same way

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today just years have passed but they established the same way

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and they've gone astray the same way by swearing that's promising oh you know these politicians you listen to them and

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lying and killing and stealing and committing adultery they break out and blood touches blood

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that's just it's like the christ didn't christ tell us that as in the days of noah

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that's how it will be at the time of his return and we are certainly

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it's just accelerating or or just uh we're plummeting into the days of noah now these are all

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breaking of the commandments and this is exactly what christ told to judah

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when he when he was on earth he says to the young lawyer you know the commandments

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don't commit adultery don't kill don't steal and and don't bear false witness

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defraud not and honor your father and your mother and all of these are the commandments that they're breaking

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he goes on to say because of this breaking of the commandments so as it happened anciently can we use

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bit of imagination to see what's going to happen to our societies today you know canada used to be a christian nation

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now we see christian pastors dragged and humiliated and strip searched

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and just completely disrespected this is canada

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this is canon we began with bible in hand

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therefore because of this violation of the law therefore shall the land mourn against

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speaking specifically of the promised land but we can just use a bit of

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extrapolation to say god hasn't changed he has the same expectations

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of his people therefore because of this shall the land

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so the people are violating all of this law but god is saying because of all of this

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violation there are consequences and the land is going to mourn

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and everyone that dwells therein shall languish you know you were presented by mooses

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very clearly how you could prosper or how you would be

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enfeebled and then how you would be impoverished and you've chosen to be impoverished

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but it's not just you you're affecting you're affecting your seed and you're even causing the land

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to mourn therefore shall the land mourn and every one that dwells their inshallah language

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languish with with the beasts of the field and with the fowls of heaven

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yes the fishes of the sea also shall be taken away so you know you can't i can't

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help but read this and and think of how stupid we are today

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and to think of earth day earth day 2022 invest in our planet we need to save the

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earth we need to save the animals of the earth we need to save nature we need to

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worship nature so just on this website all together now it's important that we do this together

you know we need to

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destroy the nation-states and we need to just become this one global society the global all

together

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now this is the moment to change it all the the the business climate let me just

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uh increase this fund for everybody it says here

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this is the moment to change it all the business climate the political climate and how we take  
action on

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climate these people are beautiful with rhetoric it's the gift of the devil

35:16

now is the time for the unstoppable courage to preserve and protect our

35:22

health our families and our livelihoods together we must invest in our planet

35:29

because a green future is a prosperous future we need to act boldly innovate

35:36

broadly and implement equitably it's going to take all of us

35:41

all in businesses governments and citizens everyone accounted for and then some

35:47

very chilling words that are just slipped in but it's all very beautiful poetry and rhetoric everyone accounted

35:52

for and everyone accountable a partnership for the planet yeah you

35:58

know what listen to what god says he says because of your violation of his commandments the land shall mourn you

36:05

can have all the earth days you want the canaanites had tons of earth days and and and god destroyed them

36:13

because of their filth and then he moved uh israel in and

36:18

destroyed them and the land because of their filth and look at the filth today

36:24

we want to have earth day while we teach kindergarteners about

36:30

oral sex we want to have earth day while we teach kindergarteners that

36:38

they're born in the wrong body and they need surgery we need people to go in and chop off

36:43

their genitals and cut a hole in them this is this is what we're doing to our

36:49

children because all together now all in we're just so righteous we love the earth that

36:55

we just in loving the earth we want to destroy everything we want to hold everybody accountable

37:02

and destroy all the prosperity that god has given to us everyone that dwells there in shall

37:08

languish you cannot escape this and not just you all the beasts of the field

37:14

and the fowls of heaven and the fishes of the sea shall be taken away this these are the consequences

37:20

of breaking god's law yet let no man strive and that word strive

37:26

as the hebrew rib it's the same word when god says he has a controversy with the people in the land now he says

37:33

let no man have a controversy speaking about with each other basically don't don't hold each other to account

37:39

let no man strive nor reprove another for your people are as they that strive same word when

37:46

god says he has a controversy so he has a controversy with them but the people have a controversy with the priest

37:53

they don't like what the priest is saying priest priest is trying to teach the law

37:58

and they're just pushing back in the most perverse and severe way and you know i can i can relate to this

38:05

i've certainly had my share of teaching the law and pastor murray would say the same i'm sure all the

38:11

faithful pastors would say the same we teach the law and we have people in in the community coming back to us with

38:17

with back talk they don't want to hear this they want to hear about social justice

38:22

they want to hear about earth day they want to hear about violating the laws of god and then seeking medication

38:30

violating the laws of god and and you know hugging the earth and thinking

38:35

it's going to be okay no it's not going to be okay no it's not going to be okay and so god is saying leave them alone

38:43

don't even bother these people you know wherever there was a remnant of a priesthood trying to

38:49

teach the law they have a controver god has a controversy with them the reason because they have a controversy with the

38:54

priest and to bring this up to modern times paul says to timothy preach the

38:59

word do not back down do not back down don't be that kind of minister or elder

39:07

that is looking for favor that's looking for approval you're you're so insecure

39:12

that as soon as somebody gives you a bad look you you collapse no no no no preach the word

39:20

and be instant in season out of season reprove rebuke

39:26

exhort with all long-suffering and doctrine don't give up don't back down don't give in

39:32

just keep preaching the truth because there's always a faithful remnant there is always a faithful remnant that will

39:39

respond to the word of god and those you know what does the scripture say let him that is filthy

39:45

let him be filthy still oh well we we we did our best oh well if

39:50

they choose filth if they choose paganism if they choose deception

39:57

if they choose pretty rhetoric and lies over the law of god at least you've done your part

40:04

so so you cannot have a true ministry without education

40:09

you cannot have a true ministry without rebuke it might not be nice at the time but

40:14

it's the greatest act of love from the ministry to just give you the word of god to say look this is what god expects

40:21

don't take god for granted this is what his word teaches and and just to be patient it's like

40:27

years and years it's like wow the ministry doesn't let up i've known these people for years

40:33

and they're the same they're still preaching the same back to hosea so so they they are these

40:39

are back to hosea 4 verse 4 don't even bother let no man strive nor reprove

40:45

another for your people are as they that strive with the priest they don't want to conform they don't want the priestly

40:50

leadership therefore shall you fall in the day

40:56

you're going to collapse you violate you you work you you deviate from god's word you violate the covenant therefore so

41:03

you fall in the day and the prophet also shall fall with you in the night you know so so yeah and he's speaking to

41:10

these people who are supposed to be priests you're going to collapse in the day and don't even turn to the

41:16

prophets who normally might receive a vision of god in the night no they're going to fall as well in the night

41:22

instead of instead of receiving revelation they'll receive nothing and i will destroy your mother

41:29

so god is saying i'm the one that's going to destroy you

41:34

very important verse as the prefix or the introduction

41:42

to verse six so verse five leads us into verse six my people are destroyed

41:49

for lack of knowledge you know it sounds like it's just you know because they don't

41:56

have knowledge it's a passive thing that just happens which is true

42:01

there is a passive thing to this where if you don't have knowledge you bring up the next generation and there's no

42:06

there's no teaching you're not teaching them anything they're going to be destroyed

42:12

but in context of everything we've just read where god is saying there's no knowledge of god in the land and they've

42:18

rejected the priesthood and then he says i'm going to destroy you

42:24

now he says my people are destroyed for lack of knowledge and reading between the lines we understand and reading

42:30

torah we understand no i will destroy my people because they've rejected knowledge

42:37

that's actually what this is saying i will destroy my people i will do it

42:42

why because they've rejected knowledge my people and that really points to the

42:47

priesthood the priesthood should have been faithful and not backed down and not be bribed and not compromised

42:54

but the priesthood collapsed and so they rejected knowledge my my

42:59

people are destroyed for lack of knowledge because you have rejected knowledge this is something you did you

43:05

rejected knowledge i also will reject you this is this is incredible

43:11

this is the special relationship all that the lord has said they said to mooses we will do we will be a faithful

43:18

wife then they went into the promised land inherited all the blessings and they became incredibly lawless

43:27

so you've rejected knowledge and god says okay you've rejected knowledge therefore i  
43:32

reject you that you israel shall be no priest to me

43:40

yes i've made a promise to abraham isaac and jacob but you've rejected this knowledge

43:46

and so you shall be no priest to me seeing that you have forgotten the law of your god

43:52

i will also forget what your children moses said you you need to do this

43:59

so that you will prosper and your seed after you but they rejected knowledge

44:05

and now god says i'm going to forget your children and and again this is so up to date with us  
today if you look at

44:12

our the state of our children today look at this this is just one example the biden administration

44:19

endorses transgender youth sex change operations

44:25

top surgery hormone therapy this this is this is the white house is

44:30

encouraging this for minors we've got teachers in the classroom

44:36

who are on the sly pulling the children aside multiple

44:42

times a week to teach them lgbtq double spirit plus

44:47

pedophilia that's what's happening on the sly don't tell your parents

44:53

let's talk about sex let me tell you what i did last night in my perversion

44:59

but don't tell your parents because you know we have a special relationship here this is what's

45:05

happening in our schools this is this is god saying you rejected me

45:10

you took prayer out of the school and because you've rejected me i've rejected i've forgotten  
your children

45:17

you forgot me i forget your children and now the devil has our children

45:23

now the devil is just full-on pedophilia you you try to teach jesus

45:29

christ in the school and see what happens but these teachers are all teaching pedophilia and  
bringing in drag queens

45:36

story time and all kinds of perversion and they're honored they're protected

45:41

this this is this is a it's it's just another way of saying god has forgotten our children

45:49

our children should be honorable people should look at our children and think wow there's something special

45:55

about that young lady something special about that young man that's that's what should be happening

46:01

and i know for many of us that is the case but as a nation that should be the case

46:07

not anymore can you think of how they used to dress in the 50s look at how they dress today

46:15

they thought the mothers in fact dress worse than the daughters

46:20

he says he's going to reject them yes i wanted to establish you as a kingdom of priest but you've rejected

46:26

knowledge so you shall be no priest to me seeing you have forgotten how could you

46:32

be a priest when you have forgotten the law of god the whole point of being a priest is to bring people to the law of

46:38

god to facilitate a relationship with god through his law but you've

46:44

rejected his law how can you be a priest so i will also forget your children and

46:49

they should have inherited this priesthood in fact in malachi chapter 2 i think you know where i'm

46:55

going here verse seven this is the purpose of the priesthood for the priests lips should keep

47:02

knowledge what's going on in hosea's time they've forgotten they've lost knowledge

47:07

there's god says there's no knowledge of god in the land but the priest should keep knowledge

47:14

that's what we're that's what we are today in fact christ says to us in revelation blessed is he who reads

47:20

and they that hear the words of this prophecy and not just hear it not just here to say oh yes i heard the

47:27

prophecy and keep those things that are written therein for the time is at hand keep

47:32

protect and then when others come to you you can facilitate a relationship with god because you have the knowledge

47:40

this is what the priest lives should keep knowledge and they should seek they should be able to seek the law at his mouth

47:48

for he is the messenger of the lord of hosts that's the purpose of the priesthood that's our purpose

47:54

this people should know today we should have a very loud voice while everybody's running up and down

48:01

trying to find answers in in every possible way except god

48:07

we should be standing firm and say the only answer is christ here's how

48:12

here's the knowledge you need so that's what priests should be doing and not back down

48:18

in jeremiah uh jeremiah's assessment of of the priesthood of israel in chapter 2 verse

48:25

8 he says the priest didn't say where is the lord you know today

48:31

we're on this verge of on the verge of world war we have a global pandemic

48:37

everybody's running up and down terrified what is the response of the priesthood

48:43

the priest didn't say where is the lord and they that handle the law didn't know

48:49

me the pastors also transgressed against me

48:55

and the prophets prophesied by ba'all so this is god's evaluation i'm sure

49:00

if at the time of jeremiah if you went to israel

49:06

and you asked the priests you know how would they evaluate themselves how are they doing

49:11

if you ask the pastors how is it going i'm sure they would have given glowing reports of themselves

49:18

but this is not this is not their report of themselves this is god's report

49:23

of the priests and the pastors the priests didn't ask

49:28

god moses said to them he's the source of your life and length of days

49:34

the priest didn't say where's the source of our life and they that handled the law

49:41

they didn't know me they're handling the law but they don't know me god that says he amos says through aims

49:46

he says of all the families of the earth you only have i know known

49:52

known in a special intimate way but they don't they don't know me they have no relationship with me

49:59

the pastors also transgressed against me they actually transgressed against me

50:04

and the prophets prophesied by baal so we're looking at the priests we're looking to the pastors

50:10

we're looking to the prophets but they're all violating god and walked after things that do not

50:17

profit they don't profit again if i can remember that minister saying you know these people are breaking the law

50:24

cause and effect bringing consequences upon themselves and then running to medication to try to blunt the

50:30

consequences when those consequences are there to bring you to your senses

50:36

but instead we're running after things that don't prop they don't profit us they make profit pfizer they don't profit us

50:43

as they were increased and i also always have to give the proviso on an individual basis

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people have to consult with their medical professional team they should have a team and not just treat the doctor like he's

50:56

god get a second opinion but in different situations people have reasons why they need different

51:02

medication that's all good but

51:07

when these people come with their mandates and say you must do this

51:13

so that our partner can be wealthy and share their wealth with us we're gonna we're gonna get

51:19

wealthy off your back and off your health and then we as christians who believe in

51:25

freedom who believe in freedom of choice the whole scripture beginning in adam

51:31

is based upon freedom of choice this is a core ethic of christ

51:36

that we cannot violate you cannot take choice away from people it's one thing

51:42

to say you must put this on your person and carry it with you at all times that's a

51:48

mandate and that's one thing it's a completely different realm

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when we say we will inject something into your bloodstream and we have the right to do

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this and you cannot say no whoa now we're on a whole different level

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this is this is a mandate of an extreme level and as christians who believe in freedom

52:10

of choice we have to say stop right there because once you get under our skin

52:16

and you have that authority and power to inject who knows what inside us

52:21

where does this go especially in light of our understanding of what christ reveals to us

52:29

in the book of revelation and to say that these things are must shortly come to pass

52:34

so we can't walk after things that do not profit and profit means for us eternally we are making choices today

52:41

and we need the freedom to make choices today that in the short term may not benefit us

52:48

but we know they will in the long term because we're going to be faithful to god but god says here

52:54

as they were increased so they sinned against me you you think it'd be the opposite

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you would think that as they were increased they would acknowledge wow god has really blessed us what can we do to

53:05

to to to pass it on and to return our gratitude no as they were increased so they sinned

53:12

against me therefore i will change their glory into shame and you know if you if

53:18

you look at now just as an example these televangelists the top 20 richest pastors in the world

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and their net worth the top one is bishop david oh you're deadpool and i think he's

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about 65 years old he's not he's not an old man well maybe you might think 65 years old i certainly don't anymore

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this bishop bishop david oyedepo his net worth is 150 million dollars that's his net

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worth after a net net this is his his value

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here he is here the next one is uh td jakes 147 million right behind

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and we even have brethren who follow this man brethren in the covenant community who

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are taking advice and and worship advice from td jakes

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pat robertson 100 million uber angel

54:17

60 million chris oya me 50 million

54:23

benny hinn 42 million joel osteen 40 million this this is this

54:28

is this is good money this is real money now we're talking real money uh so

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this is what people are pursuing you're taking the bible to pursue this

54:39

this is the this is the mind of man we're very short-term oriented very very materialistic

54:46

and so they just sinned against him he says here they eat

54:51

up the sin of my people and they set their heart on their iniquity so this is the reason they have

54:57

150 million net worth is they're telling the people what they want to hear

55:02

they're telling the people what they want to hear they know the people are saying that people are breaking sabbath

55:08

eating every kind of unclean thing committing adultery and and they're just they're

55:14

allowing when you have a you know church full of you know 20 000 people you're not turning people back

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you're not saying to people you know if you're engaging that kind of conduct you really shouldn't be here

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no no come just keep putting the money in the coffers they eat up the sin of my people and  
55:31  
they set their heart on their iniquity and people who have guilty consciences  
55:36  
they maybe end up giving more just to assuage their guilt  
55:42  
and there shall be light people like priests this is the importance of the priesthood  
55:48  
like people like priests so goes the people so goes the priest so goes to people  
55:53  
the priest is the conscience of the nation and where we are today as western uh nations  
55:59  
it's the silence of the priests we've you know we've gone into as i said before  
56:04  
the sodomites are out of the closet and the christians are in the closet  
56:09  
especially the christian pastors and there shall be like people like priests  
56:15  
and i will punish them for their ways and reward them for their doings  
56:20  
for they shall eat and not have enough they shall commit whoredom  
56:26  
and shall not increase because they have left off to take heed there's that word again shema to  
obey to  
56:33  
listen to take heed because they have left off to take heed to the law that's why he opens the  
chapter saying obey after after this  
56:40  
opening of this strange relationship of hosea and and his wife gomer  
56:46  
this very bizarre relationship now we're getting into it  
56:51  
now it's now we're unpacking this metaphor and now he's saying  
56:57  
it's just they're just engaged in vanity  
57:02  
as much as they want to eat and be satisfied they will not be satisfied  
57:07  
they're just going to have a perpetual hunger and as much as they engage in sexual  
57:13  
activity they won't have any children they're going to end up as we are today  
57:20  
aborting all of their children they're going to end up with all kinds of disease and barrenness  
57:27

and in this nation in this story in this culture having children was a big big deal

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so they thought you know what i'm going to have my children have my family but i'm also going to visit prostitutes on

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the side and have my fun and god is saying you know what i'm going to curse you

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this is one of the curses in fact of the covenant i'm going to take this this uh longevity and this prosperity away from

57:49

you so go ahead and eat you're going to be hungry go ahead and have sexual activity you're not going to be blessed

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in it because they've left off to listen to jehovah

58:00

jordan and wine and new wine take away the heart and

58:05

again speaking of our society it's just full of whoredom it's just sickening

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it's sad it's like you want to just pull people aside and say really

58:16

are you really happy how's this working out for you it's just bizarre

58:22

it's bizarre and the the drugs the opioid epidemic

58:28

the alcoholism the the prescription drugs everywhere the the uh

58:34

over dependence on entertainment uh you know you're in people the nation is the nations are in pain

58:41

the people are in pain and they're drugging themselves he says my people ask counsel at their stocks

58:49

and their staff declares unto them so this is basically paganism idolatry

58:55

god's own people now they're in the land of canaan and instead of leading

59:01

with the torah they've ditched the torah and they're inquiring after the canaanites how do

59:06

you worship again and they go and they seek counsel at their they're sort of like these wooden

59:12

idols they're going to get their answer the answer that the staff will declare the answer and go let's go to this tree

59:18

it will give us the answer this is what they're doing and then he says the spirit this is

59:24

interesting language for the spirit of whoredoms has caused them to air you know this is

59:32

the only way i can explain what's going on in our societies today

59:38

it's spiritual and there's a spirit of whoredom you know you can have a spirit of

59:44

gluttony you can have a spirit of lust for power

59:50

there's different spirits these different spirits have different personalities this spirit world

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and there is certainly a spirit of whoredom and you know you could even look at different cities

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different countries they have different types of perversions

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no doubt because there are different spirits ruling over those cities

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and over those nations with different perversions and here over these people there's a

1:00:18

spirit of whoredom and over like come on

1:00:24

like how do you compute that it's acceptable

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for a stranger in the classroom to be teaching

1:00:36

our five maybe six seven eight nine ten year olds

1:00:42

children babies a stranger in there with purple hair and

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piercings everywhere teaching them about sexual perversion and protected them by the authorities

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but you try teaching them about christ and don't let the door hit you on the way out

1:01:03

there's a spirit of whoredom taking over this this is a spiritual battle that we're in

1:01:08

and this spiritual spirit of whoredom is taken over just as it did anciently same spirit

1:01:14

spirit these spirits don't don't live 60 years and then die for the spirit of whoredoms

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has caused them to air and they've gone a whoring from under their god

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they've come into the promised land god has taken them freed them from egypt taking them into the promised land bless

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them with everything and they've gone a whoring from under their god

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looking at the canaanites what they do so what the canaanites believed was that the more sexual activity they had

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especially with the the the temple prostitutes that they were

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inspiring the gods to get kind of in the mood

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so that the gods would then engage in their activity and that would cause it to reign and so there was lots of sexual whoredom

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and perversion in these canaanite societies and instead of israel being noble and

1:02:08

saying that is absolute nonsense jehovah is the source of our life

1:02:14

they ditched jehovah and ran after these prostitutes

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they sacrifice upon the tops of the mountains and burn incense upon the hills

1:02:26

under oaks and poplars and elms you know we're doing it today we don't necessarily do it with a lot of fanfare

1:02:34

but all of the abortion is human sacrifice child sacrifice

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chopping up a baby's genitals chopping them and drilling

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cutting holes into them and saying this is this is good this is child sacrifice

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this is this is all worship of the satanic host this is this is just the thrill of these

1:02:59

spiritual beings when they see what we're doing to our children what they see what we're doing

1:03:04

to each other blood touches blood we lie we steal we cheat we commit

1:03:10

adultery our children are in fornication this just in this the spirit world is

1:03:15

just thrilled demonic world this this is worship to them this is how

1:03:20

we are giving them power they sacrifice upon the tops of the mountains and burn incense upon the

1:03:26

hills under oaks and poplars and elms this is what the canaanites did they've just adopted the king night idolatry

1:03:32

because the shadow thereof is good let's do it over here got a nice shadow we can be cool from the sun

1:03:39

therefore your daughters shall commit whoredom

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and that's what's happened today our daughters commit hoarder

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it's it's just so uh refreshing when we see young ladies who dress like

1:03:56

young ladies because from they're like

1:04:02

10 years old and they're dressing like prostitutes and the parents love it so

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because that's the acceptable way now and so we've given our children to commit jordan

1:04:14

therefore your daughters shall commit whoredom and your spouses

1:04:19

shall commit adultery and this is the curse of the covenant so this is what they brought upon

1:04:25

themselves and so you know in an ancient society where shame is a big deal honor is a big deal

1:04:33

they're going to have no honor and nothing but shame

1:04:38

jeremiah says here in chapter 3 verse 6 again speaking of this

1:04:44

time of israel in israel the lord said also unto me in the days of josiah the

1:04:50

king have you seen that which backsliding israel has done

1:04:56

she's gone up under every high mountain and under every green tree

1:05:02

and there has she played the harlot so so jeremiah is after um

1:05:09

hosea but looking back on israel saying look what she's done

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they've completely embraced the canaanite religion completely they've rejected god

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and today is no different again i say i'll just caution you about these pharmaceutical companies

1:05:29

a lot of it is not godly and we've got to be careful that we're not looking to them for life they would  
1:05:36  
love for us to look to them for life but it's not godly the lord said also unto me in the days  
1:05:42  
of jesus as i have the king have you seen what that which backsliding israel has done she's gone  
up under every high  
1:05:48  
mountain and then every green tree and there she's played the harlot just complete  
1:05:53  
sexual depravity in the people of god and so i'll caution you brother  
1:05:58  
especially coming out of the days of unleavened bread let's clean up our act  
1:06:04  
let's clean up our act no doubt for the size of the church we're going to have people that go  
1:06:09  
through these days of unleavened bread come out of them and are still oppressed by demonic  
spirits  
1:06:16  
still enslaved by their appetites we can't do this brethren we've got the lessons of ancient israel  
1:06:23  
to see what happens when we give ourselves over to our appetites  
1:06:28  
back to hosea 4 14 god says now this is really interesting  
1:06:33  
he says i won't punish your daughters when they commit harder so your daughter is going  
1:06:38  
to commit whoredom and your spouses are going to commit adultery and then god says earlier  
he said you know don't  
1:06:45  
don't strive with another man just leave them alone now he's saying i'm not even going to  
1:06:50  
punish your daughters when they commit hurt him nor your spouses when they commit adultery  
1:06:57  
why he says for you yourselves are separated with you men  
1:07:04  
you're separated with and you men are sacrificing with harlots why why should i punish your  
wives and  
1:07:10  
your daughters when you're worse therefore the people that do not understand  
1:07:17  
shall fall he says though you israel  
1:07:23  
play the harlot okay so you uh you're a lost cause from from you know jeroboam

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he went up took the north uh took them away from the south took them

1:07:34

away from jerusalem and the true worship and so they're a lost cause now and every king after him

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continued in the sin of jeroboam because it was just too too delicious

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to have this kind of power and if they were to say no we need to go back and you know jerusalem is god's

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choice and we need to go back to the proper worship system they would lose that power so they all continued in the sin

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of jeroboam and israel now is a lost cause and they put they put the priests that they

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wanted took the lowest of the people and made them priests though you israel play the harlot

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yet let not judah offend okay you're a lost cause but at least god says i have judah

1:08:18

let not judah offend and come not you unto gilgal

1:08:23

neither go up to beth haven nor swear the lord lives so don't come down into the southern areas stay where

1:08:29

you are and don't even mention my name take my take my name out of your

1:08:35

religion and stop saying the lord lives because i have nothing to do with you now

1:08:41

for israel slides back as a backsliding heifer

1:08:47

now the lord will feed them as a lamb in a large place so they're they're having their

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comeuppance ephraim is joined to idols

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leave them alone okay it's gone they're so far gone let it go

1:09:06

their drink is sour they have committed whoredom continually

1:09:12

i think you know if there's one if i could take a phrase out of the bible

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anciently to describe our society today maybe this would be it

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we commit whoredom continually it's just everywhere and we're even

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bringing our children into it now children all the the clothing of the children

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the entertainment of the children the dress code of the children everything

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is just this constant whoredom continually that's what it's just non-stop

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spiritual oppression spiritual slavery these are demons behind this

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their drink is sour they've committed whoredom continually her rulers with shame do love give you i think this is

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just saying they love bribes they're ruling but not for the benefit of the people

1:10:05

the wind has bound her up in her wings and they shall be ashamed because of

1:10:11

their sacrifices and it's just if you think of a bird it's just maybe disabled in its wings

1:10:17

uh it's just unable to fly and so they're just going to be in big trouble and they will be ashamed because of this

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idolatry he says hear this o priests so now he's directing this directly to the

1:10:30

this is amazing this is a collapse of society the societal collapse

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and god pins it on the priests so you know we really cannot expect

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today it should be the case but we cannot expect today to influence our society at large

1:10:48

okay we should have but we can't though the the governments have become more

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powerful than the priests to govern the politicians and why is that

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because the people love socialism and to have socialism you need a powerful government

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so when the government promises we'll give you a basic income we'll give you welfare

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we'll give you social justice we'll give you everything which is just rhetoric but in exchange for that you have to

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give us your freedom you have to give us your power we need to be this massive

1:11:28

administration and as we become this massive administration what we find is we don't

1:11:34

need to keep our promises to you anymore we're too powerful to listen to you you put us in power you gave us your power

1:11:40

and now we're too powerful to listen to you sucker sucker

1:11:45

you really thought black lives mattered why why would you think that

1:11:52

you really thought social justice why would you think that

1:11:58

you think we're here for you so we make these people powerful and they crush us

1:12:05

and in the process we've made the politician more powerful than the priest

1:12:11

so the priests really have no voice in society today and you can see them being locked up and uh persecuted but we

1:12:19

should have a voice inside the church and when we read hosea

1:12:24

the amount of blame that god puts on the priesthood is chilling

1:12:31

and so as the church if you kind of look at the church over time

1:12:37

if we see the behavior of the church declining so we looked at the family in the 1950s

1:12:42

if we were to look at a church family church of god family in the 50s compared to our church of god family

1:12:48

today in the 20s 2020s would there be

1:12:54

a similar shift in degrading of standards as we see in the church where people

1:13:00

kind of come to address come to services dressed any way they want no respect for god no respect for the priesthood well

1:13:06

if that's the case god blames the priests god pins it on the priests he says

1:13:12

there's no knowledge and the people should come to the priest for knowledge and the priest should not

1:13:19

back down the people are not going to be happy they don't want to be corrected but the priest must rebuke and correct with

1:13:26

patience so this is chilling as we read about this

1:13:33

now we have to look at the church society we can't really influence the secular society

1:13:39

but as we look at our congregational communities are we slipping

1:13:44

because if we are god blames the priests hear you this o priests and hearken you

1:13:52

house of israel which should be a kingdom of priest to become and give you ear again he wants the

1:13:58

shema o house of the king for judgment is toward you

1:14:04

because you have been a snare on mizpah and a net spread upon the poor tabor so

1:14:10

some cities at the time that uh have fallen under this moral collapse

1:14:16

and the revolters are profound to make slaughter though i have been a rebuker of them all

1:14:23

i think the the sense here in fact let me just quickly look at the complete jewish bible on that one

1:14:29

just to get the sense of what he is saying isaiah 5 2 yes

1:14:34

hosea 5 2 in the complete jewish bible he says

1:14:40

the rebels have deepened their slaughter and i'm rejected by all of them

1:14:46

so this is the sense of alienation from god they're just really gone holy he

1:14:52

says you know there's no knowledge of him they're lying they're stealing they're killing

1:14:58

they don't have anything to do with god even though god has been opposing them they're not listening

1:15:03

i know ephraim and israel is not hid from me for now o ephraim you commit whoredom

1:15:11

and israel is defiled they will not frame their doings to turn unto their god

1:15:17

again here it is again why won't they turn to god for the spirit of whoredoms a little

1:15:23

leaven leavens the whole lump we've got to protect the church society's gone

1:15:29

but we're in the midst of this perverse and crooked generation we've got to protect the church

1:15:34

we've got to have high standards good grooming well-dressed

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high standards high moral conduct good speech we should be passionate about these

1:15:46

things as we differentiate ourselves from the world upon whom the wrath of god is coming

1:15:54

but they will not frame their doings to turn unto their god the spirit of whoredoms is in the midst

1:16:00

of them and they have not known the lord they've been overtaken by the spirit of whoredom the thing about the spirit of orders

1:16:07

is uh it's sweet it feels good and what did they say in the 60s if it feels good do it that's

1:16:13

the spirit of whoredom is taking over we need to have discipline might feel good but we're not doing it

1:16:19

because we're not stupid and we know the consequences of this

1:16:26

and the pride of israel does testify to his face therefore shall israel and ephraim fall

1:16:32

in their iniquity judah also shall fall with them we just not long ago

1:16:38

he said okay although ephraim although israel's gone judah don't let judah offend

1:16:45

but this is a little leaven leavens the whole lump and although the true worship system was

1:16:50

with judah judah falls into the spirit of whoredom as well so come to ezekiel 23 where it says

1:16:57

they're both prostitutes judah also shall fall with them

1:17:02

they shall go with their flocks and with their herds to seek the lord but they shall not find him he's going

1:17:08

to hide his face from jacob as we saw in isaiah he has withdrawn himself from them

1:17:14

they have dealt treacherously against the lord these people who have come into the land with the covenant with the torah they've dealt treacherously

1:17:21

against the lord they said everything the lord has said we will do they've dealt treacherously against the lord

1:17:26

for they have begotten strange children strange children

1:17:32

have we begotten strange children for the lord he he wants us to have children that

1:17:38

turn to him now shall a month devour them with their portions or we should say you know  
1:17:43

within a month they'll be devoured we know that this this assyria is coming to destroy them  
1:17:50

you know some people think that israel is the beast israel is the israel of god but they're also the  
beast

1:17:56

no no no israel is the israel of god he's going to raise up

1:18:01

gentile powers to destroy israel and that's what's happening here within within a month saying a  
syria is coming

1:18:08

to just wipe these people out and just scatter them blow you the coronet in

1:18:13

gibeah the the trumpet of alarm in rama

1:18:18

cry aloud at beth haven after you o benjamin ephraim shall be

1:18:24

desolate in the day of rebuke among the tribes of israel have i made known

1:18:30

that which shall surely be i'm i'm faithful to my covenant

1:18:35

moses told you what would happen i will not go back on my word you will be destroyed in my  
faithfulness to my

1:18:43

word the princes of judah were like them that removed the boundaries

1:18:50

therefore i will pour my wrath upon them like water so judah also is coming under

1:18:55

ensor ephraim is oppressed and broken in judgment

1:19:00

because he willingly walked after the commandments what does this means he willingly walked  
after the commandment

1:19:07

it's not the commandment of god jeroboam set up a competing system

1:19:12

jeroboam was the king he said you will do this and they willingly walked after jeroboam

1:19:19

this we have to be very careful brethren we do not willingly walk after the

1:19:25

commandment of men we are we are bound by the commandments

1:19:30

of god and men can threaten all they want we will not deviate

1:19:37

from the command of our god do your worst instead we see these people of god  
1:19:44  
willingly running after the commandments of men therefore  
1:19:49  
will i be unto ephraim as a moth the moth goes in and just devours everything  
1:19:55  
and to the house of judah as rottenness when ephraim saw his sickness and judah  
1:20:01  
saw his wound  
1:20:07  
breaks your heart people of god ephraim sees his sickness ephraim really  
1:20:13  
being code for israel as the most powerful tribe in the north really representing the north judah  
the most powerful tribe in the south representing  
1:20:20  
the tribes in the south when israel in the north saw his sickness  
1:20:26  
when judah saw his wound is what that minister said to me in the aids epidemic instead of  
looking at the  
1:20:33  
root cause and repenting they just want medication when ephraim saw his sickness  
1:20:40  
and judah saw his wound then went ephraim to the assyrian and sent to king jarab  
1:20:48  
yet he couldn't heal you nor cure you of your wound so today what do we see our nation  
1:20:55  
nation our national leaders doing running to iran  
1:21:00  
running to venezuela running to china running to the united arab emirates  
1:21:07  
running to saudi arabia trying to find healing instead never once would it occur to  
1:21:14  
them let's return to god  
1:21:19  
i will be unto if when he says my people are destroyed for lack of knowledge  
1:21:24  
again it's not this passive sort of well they didn't have knowledge so that's what happened  
1:21:31  
no it's not that it's not just that it's far worse than that  
1:21:37  
it's i will destroy my people because they've rejected this knowledge  
1:21:43  
for i will be unto ephraim as a lion and as a young lion to the house of jew i'm going to tear  
them apart god says

1:21:50

i even i will tear and go away i will take away

1:21:56

and none shall rescue him this is my judgment nobody can defend uh judah or israel

1:22:04

against me and this is this is this is decreed

1:22:09

deuteronomy 4 and verse 25 this is god being faithful to what he said in torah

1:22:16

when you shall beget children and grandchildren and you shall have remained long in the

1:22:22

land and shall corrupt yourselves this is moses telling them you're going to corrupt yourselves

1:22:29

and make a graven image or the likeness of anything and shall do evil in the sight of the

1:22:35

lord your god to provoke him to anger you're going to provoke him to anger i call heaven and earth to witness against

1:22:40

you this day that you shall soon utterly perish from off the land

1:22:47

he has a controversy with the dwellers on the land because the covenant involves the land

1:22:52

the land is holy god is holy the people must be holy did you think

1:22:59

that you could be unholy land given to you by a holy god

1:23:05

and be unholy and violate the covenant moses says no no nothing's going to work

1:23:11

like that i'm calling it's not going to work like that i'm telling you so i'm going to call heaven and earth to

1:23:16

witness against you today that you shall soon utterly perish from off the land

1:23:22

where until you go over jordan to possess it you shall not prolong your days upon it but shall be utterly

1:23:28

destroyed and the lord shall scatter you among the nations

1:23:34

this is what's going to happen you're going to be scattered we saw that

1:23:39

a seed the valley of in the with the prophecy of the jezreel and the lord shall scatter you among the

1:23:46

nations and you shall be left few in number among the heathen you're going to

1:23:51

be slaughtered but you will not be completely eradicated because of the promises that god made to

1:23:58

your forefathers so it's don't don't take god for granted

1:24:03

don't think just because he promised abraham isaac and jacob that he has to have you but at the same time even though he's

1:24:10

going to destroy you he's still going to fulfill his promise to abraham isaac and jacob the lord shall scatter you among

1:24:17

the nations and you shall be left human number among the heathen where the lord shall lead you

1:24:22

i will go and return to my place until they acknowledge their offense i'm

1:24:27

going to scatter them i'm going to leave them they're going to be destroyed until they acknowledge their offense

1:24:32

and seek my face in their affliction they will seek me early

1:24:38

and so we'll conclude now going back to our go-to scripture in deuteronomy because all the prophets

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are just echoing and magnifying moses

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and so god says here through hosea i'm going to destroy them i'm going to scatter them

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and then they're going to acknowledge their offense and they're going to seek my face

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and in their affliction they will seek me moses says it shall come to pass when all these things have come upon you the

1:25:06

blessing and the curse which i have set before you and you shall call them to mind among all the

1:25:13

nations where the lord your god has driven you and shall return unto the lord your god you're going to repent and

1:25:20

shall obey his voice the shema according to all that i command you this day you and your children

1:25:27

with all your heart and all your souls funny what affliction can do

1:25:33

and so now as we see the world taking shape america being destroyed america being

1:25:38

bankrupt nations like china with ruthless nations like china taking

1:25:45

the hegemony away from america we have a very dark future ahead of us

1:25:51

anybody who calls themselves christian or from the christian tradition or the western world

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but you know what that affliction is going to drive a lot of people to repentance

1:26:02

he says and certainly judah is going to be surrounded surrounded by people who hate them and want to destroy them and all of that's

1:26:08

going to be allowed to happen but he says this is this is the result that you and your children when you seek

1:26:14

me with all your heart and with all your soul that then the lord your god will end your

1:26:20

captivity and have compassion on you he says

1:26:25

and will return and gather you from all the nations

1:26:30

where the lord your god has scattered you so it's a fascinating story brethren

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fascinating story and we are understanding it from every angle

1:26:41

but the theme is always the same it always goes back to torah we serve a

1:26:46

very mighty god we serve a very faithful god

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the question for us as we study these ancient peoples is

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how faithful will we be when we're surrounded by a spirit of whoredoms which we are today how clean

1:27:04

will we be in a nation that's given itself over to whoredom

1:27:09

we have to fight for this brethren this is not just sort of lollygagging and just sort of yeah jesus loves me and

1:27:16

everything's fine everything's always fine this is a fight this is a spiritual fight we have to edify one another and we are

1:27:23

ever so grateful for your support we've received so much support from many of you and we're so

1:27:29

grateful for you we're just grateful that we're on this journey together and now as we're counting towards pentecost let's just

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continue studying continue to dig deeper continue to praise god continue to show

1:27:42

this world that jesus christ is coming and we are expecting that we're full of this

1:27:47

expectation he's coming he's coming soon these things that he's showing us shall

1:27:53

shortly come to pass and he's coming with a reward in his hands for you and for me

1:27:59

god bless you brethren

1:31:15

you