

28-Hosea06-Transcript-TS

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well greetings brethren and welcome to another wednesday night bible study as we are counting

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towards the holy day of pentecost this is the day 39 of our 50-day account and

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coming up to the sixth of seven sabbath so i hope that your feast of weeks is going well

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and uh that you are keeping your chin up and and looking up to christ our savior

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despite the horrendous events and and the just traumatic events

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of our time we have stability in christ's word today we're going to be

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covering god willing the end of the book of hosea chapters 13

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and 14 and then god willing pastor murray will be with me next week for a live q a

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something that we'd like to do where you can submit your questions go ahead and email them

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or type them in the chat or even on the day if we have time and you type them in the chat we'll

do our

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best to respond to you on the day we like to keep that very very interactive and do our best to make sure that you

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are following and any questions that you have probably many brethren have those questions as well so don't be shy please

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go ahead and ask us your questions it's just a good way for all of us to learn together let's open with a word of

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prayer i'll then confirm that my audio and video are coming through clearly and what god willing get into the content

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for this evening our loving heavenly father we pause as

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we always do to acknowledge you we acknowledge you father in a world

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that has turned its back on you uh we turn towards you father we thank you for jesus christ

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we thank you for your word we thank you father for the prophets and for this prophet hosea and the

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opportunity that we have to study this scroll together

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and we pray father that you would deepen our understanding help us to put all the pieces of the puzzle together so that we

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can be among the wise and among those who please you we thank you father we ask your blessing

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on our study those who are listening live as well as those who will tune in and we just thank you so much father for

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this incredible privilege just the name of jesus christ amen

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so let us uh continue then with hosea i'll just confirm thank you pastor

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murray audio and video are clear wonderful let's uh thank you alan as

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well brother alan beautiful thank you sister christy all right so we are in good shape it's great when the

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technology works actually has some other technology issues that have managed to sort out

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so that is great technology is good when it's work when it works and when it's used for good

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and not for evil let's get into today's content i want to begin by going back to

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chapter one and just putting all of this in context what is the context of hosea

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i think first two just captures it in a single verse the beginning of the word of the lord

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by hosea and the lord said to hosea go

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take unto you a wife of whoredoms and children of whoredoms this is this

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is just very mind-bending very hard for us to get our mind around this for a holy man of god

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to go and marry a prostitute a known prostitute everybody's had her everybody knows her she's
filth go and marry her

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it's very difficult for me uh sure for you as well to get our minds around this but this is the

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instruction to hosea go and take unto your wife of whoredoms and children of whoredoms why
should he do that

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because the land has committed great whoredom departing from the lord so this is this

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is in a nutshell the relationship that hosea has with this prostitute gomer

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captures the relationship that that god has

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with israel whom he covenanted with and who covenanted with him for a perpetual

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relationship they promised to be faithful but they have departed from him and

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they've committed great whoredom and he wanted them to see that this would be front page
news what hosea has done

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and he wanted them to see that and to understand how they have violated the covenant

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but in addition to seeing the egregiousness of their error

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what they would also see in this bizarre relationship is the faithfulness

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of the husband who is symbolizing christ that this this is christ's faithfulness

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to the covenant this is why we we have to get our head around what does it mean to covenant

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we just had a beautiful ceremony this past weekend with pastor murray's

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son covenanting with a sister in the faith

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what does that mean to covenant to to vow till death do us part

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oh no it's not convenient anymore i know i said till death do us part but it's not convenient
anymore is that what

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cover that is that what it means to covenant god is showing through hosea

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convenience inconvenience is irrelevant to the covenant

6:46

that he has covenanted with jacob

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and it doesn't matter what these people do

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god is not going to release himself from the covenant that he has made he is going to he's going to show jacob and

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all of jacob's descendants how faithful he is when he speaks

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and in this case the covenant is not till death do us part in in the case of the relationship with

7:16

israel it's god will be the god of jacob forever it's a forever covenant

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when we covenant it's till death do us part when god covenants it's forever and he will never step away from this

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covenant so so now we have to try to understand well how does israel who the northern

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tribes represented through ephraim how does israel

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fulfill or how does god fulfill the covenant in israel when when we know he divorced the

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northern tribes and the covenant remained in judah and yet we know because of god's

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faithfulness somehow he's going to work it out that he will fulfill the covenant that

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he made to jacob through his of all 12 tribes so this captures the essence

8:05

of what we're dealing with it's a completely not a little bit unfaithful completely unfaithful

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nation and a completely faithful husband in chapter 5

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and verse 13 when ephraim saw his sickness and judah saw his wounds so they see

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they were in trouble then went ephraim to the assyria

8:31

this this didn't cause him to turn to god no he went to the assyrian who is his

8:36

enemy the assyrian who's going to destroy him not unlike today

8:43

when when we turn to china oh let's collaborate with china i'm sure we can work it out

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you know let's try to bring them into our democracies and all that ends up happening is we become communists

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we go to our enemies for help the the president of the united states now going to iran going to venezuela

9:02

going to china going to saudi arabia to to seek help from a woman a self-inflicted wound this

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is hilarious if it were not uh real if this was a movie we could just have a

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good laugh self-inflicted wound and he runs to his enemies for help

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so ephraim went to the assyrian who is absolutely going to destroy him but he's

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a silly child and he sent to king europe yet

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assyria could not heal you nor cure you of your wound

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so they're trying to find a solution that excludes god they they don't want to include god

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in their solution then um last week when we studied chapters 11

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and 12 just pick up a couple of verses in chapter 11.

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god is has moved to rescue the people from the slavery and

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oppression of egypt and he says here as they called them that is he he sent

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prophets to free his people and as the prophets called his people

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so his people went away from them it's like the more the prophets call the more the people run the other way

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god is sending the prophets are rising up early doing all this heavy lifting of prayer and fasting and preaching and

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doing everything they can to bring the people back to covenant and and the more the prophets exert themselves

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the faster the people run away from them and run away from god as they called them so they went from them and what did

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they do instead they sacrificed unto the alim and burned incense to graven images this

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is the spiritual whoredom in verse seven he says

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and my people are bent to backsliding from me this is how they're wired

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it's like there's there's no there's no other outcome that's even possible because

11:04

their dna wires them to rebel against god this is the assassin they are just

11:10

bent this way my people are bent to backsliding from me though they called them that is the

11:16

prophets called them to the most high none of them would exalt him

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sound so much like our nations today for all the preaching that we might do

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and all the calling out that we do they don't want anything to do with god

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they want to do everything they can i said i think last week they want to remove christ from the classroom remove prayer

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from the classroom and replace it with drag queen story time they want to

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bring these demons or these demonically influenced humans who have given themselves over

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to satanism to debauchery they prefer to bring those people in and

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have intimacy with young people rather than christ would be preached or prayed to

12:05

in the classroom this is this is how they're wired he says now in all of this spiritual whoredom

12:14

and it includes physical debauchery as well that's part of the worship of in idolatry for all of this

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through hosea god says something very remarkable

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here in verse 9 that he will not execute the fierceness

12:35

of his anger that that this spiritual whoredom is

12:40

invoking wrath the deuteronomic wrath covenant wrath

12:48

and there's a there's a a deserved level of atrocity

12:53

that these people are calling down upon themselves and yet in all of this and people say there's no there's no grace in the old

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testament all the grace is in the new testament uh this is grace this is grace in all of this spiritual

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whoredom the prophet says speaking on behalf of god

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i will not execute the fierceness of my anger

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this is covenant language there's there are covenant curses and yet there's this abrahamic

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isaac jacob level commitment that god has that even though these people are

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despising him and spitting in his face he's going to deal with that but at the same time he's bound by the covenant

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that he has made to the forefathers and so despite

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their hostility to god and their rejection of him and his anger

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in the context of the covenant that he has made he says this i will not execute

13:56

the fierceness of my anger i will not return to destroy ephraim even though this is what he deserves i i

14:04

won't do it something is holding god back what is that it's the covenant with the fathers

14:11

we have to understand we we cannot face what we have to face

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with certainty or certitude and confidence and even joy

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if we don't understand god's commitment to covenant if we minimize covenant if

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we discount covenant then when we have to face what we have to face

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we're not gonna understand the level of god's faithfulness and we're gonna we're gonna buckle

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but if we understand covenant and christ's commitment to his covenant

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and our participation in this covenant then they can throw their worst at us

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and you know what they face they face a pillar that will not budge

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they fight they face a house that is built upon solid rock that will not budge

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they they face a visionary that can see very clearly what is

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happening in the present tense but sees even more clearly what is about to happen

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what comes after the grave what comes at the return of christ this is what they face when they face people

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who have a depth of understanding of covenant of covenant commitment and covenant faithfulness

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he says through covenant commitment i will not execute the fierceness of my

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anger i will not return to destroy ephraim for i am god and not man you know if if

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you tried this with a man the wrath you would face

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would be merciless but god says i'm i'm operating at a

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level that is much higher than the average human i did or then

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then just to just any human god god is just he says my thoughts are

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not your thoughts his as far as the heavens are above the earth god is operating and he's carrying

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out his plan because he's operating on a much higher level so he's trying to get ephraim to

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understand this you're dealing with god and not man

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the holy one and we would could add the old holy one of israel he's not the holy

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one of the gentiles the holy one in the midst of you he's the holy one of

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israel and he's in your midst all of this debauchery but the holy one is the holy

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one of israel and i will not enter into the city that is he's not going to

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execute his wrath in chapter 12 just a couple of verses and ephraim said

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yet i have become rich so ephraim was very successful

17:02

i have found me out substance i found a way to get wealthy and again think of our

17:08

western world the the incre we we budget in the trillions of dollars i don't even know

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what that means i my mind kind of stops working when you get into billions of

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dollars we budget in the trillions of dollars

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that's the kind of wealth that the western world based on

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christian principles i will remind you that's the kind of wealth the western world has

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generated and when they're running up and down and saying oh climate change the sky is

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falling uh the world is going to end by 2030

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historically mankind has proven incredible ingenuity

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and adaptation that it seems like whatever is thrown at man

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he has the ingenuity to figure out a way so if we you know if we had to figure out a

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way to completely abandon coal

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and and oil man could do that so it's very um let's say convenient

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for these climate change alarmists to be screaming climate change climate

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change while they go and buy property in martha's vineyard when they said that that was going to flood and that

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wouldn't exist in 10 years but they're happy to invest millions of dollars in real estate there

funny that

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so these people have found a way

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to become very wealthy and then they found out substance

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in all my labors they shall find no iniquity in me that

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is sin and this is the problem with ephraim this is the problem ephraim equates

19:02

prosperity with righteousness and and you know even though we have

19:07

this administration that is deliberately destroying america

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and the western world is deliberately selling us out hopefully we are we've all woken up and we see we

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see the plot hopefully nobody's saying no no i think he's a good man he's full of integrity

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hopefully we see that every single decision that this administration has made and is making is to destroy the

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western world and to bring it under subjugation so even though we have this

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and in previous administration we had a patriot who loved america and every decision

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that he made in his administration made was to put america first to bring america back to revive america's

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greatness both are equally flawed because the previous administration and

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america and the west equated prosperity with righteousness

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you know because we can be prosperous therefore we must be righteous and and there

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wasn't a call for repentance there wasn't a call to to recognize okay

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we've got this window of mercy and grace let's clean up our act no

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no we didn't clean up our act we just noted how how wealthy we are what a great economy

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so this is the flaw that this equating of righteousness with prosperity well you can be prosperous

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and totally wicked you can be prosperous and you slaughter your children

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you can be prosperous and you commit fornication and adultery left right and center and that's ephraim

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verse 10 god says i have also spoken by the prophets i've tried to reach these

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people and i've multiplied visions i gave them every possible way to

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understand the the relationship we're in and the blessings of the covenant

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and i use similitudes by the ministry of the prophets doing everything he could to communicate

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verse 14. ephraim promote provoked god to anger

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most bitterly they just flagrantly disregarded all of god's teachings

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therefore shall he leave his blood upon him god will allow him to be slaughtered

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and his reproach shall his lord return unto him and again

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people struggle brethren when they read the prophets because

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in one verse or in one chapter or in one book or usually even within the book so

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within a chapter there is such

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punishment pronounced that it sounds like the end

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and then shortly thereafter there's this vision of the millennial and this beautiful relationship that
god

22:02

will have and unless we're rooted in the torah and in moses's prophet original

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prophetic outline we're not we're going to get confused so even though we read here that
ephraim

22:15

has provoked him to anger most bitterly and therefore god is going to allow him to be
slaughtered even in that we have

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to recall but these are the people of the covenant so god through christ

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is gonna work out a way to redeem them the innocence project

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so let's come now to the last two chapters of the book

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here in hosea 13 and verse 1 he says

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when ephraim spoke spoke trembling he exalted himself in israel

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but when he offended in ba'al he died now it's a little bit difficult let me uh just pop over

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to the complete jewish bible i think they did a better job of

23:04

translating the hebrew he says when ephraim spoke

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there was trembling he was a power in israel so sometimes

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ephraim is code for all the northern tribes because ephraim was the most powerful

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tribe in the north and became the leader just as judah was the most powerful tribe in the south
and so when we speak

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of the south that's judah benjamin levi simeon we

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just say judah when we speak of the north and all the tribes we just say ephraim that's that's

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the sort of code that the scripture uses but we have to read it in context in this context ephraim is now speaking

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specifically of the tribe ephraim within the northern tribes of israel and and

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what the translation here is saying that ephraim was a leader

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leading tribe in the north and when they spoke and they spoke with

24:04

with power and and the righteousness the right perspective the rest of the tribes

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trembled and they understood and they followed and he was a power in israel

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and then prosperity gets to their head they think they think it's their own strength

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and then he incurred guilt through ba'al he succumbed to idolatry

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and he died so that's that's what happens that's what idolatry does

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verse two and now they sin more and more so this is how

24:41

how does he die this is this is how it all unfolds so he's like he's disconnected himself

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from jehovah and now it's the end for him so he says and now

24:54

they sin they even sin more and more they despite their success they've completely turned from god and they've made them

25:01

molten images of their silver and idols according to their own

25:07

understanding and you know we do this today i was talking about climate change earlier

25:12

these intellects among us they give us idolatry they give us technology

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and they give us ideology and anything they give us turns us away from god

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they have the solution to everything we follow them and yet somehow our world is getting worse

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and worse it's not getting better because they're turning us away from our god

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so it's the same idolatry happening today it's just cloaked differently

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it's a little bit more sophisticated but it's the same idolatry

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so they made themselves molten images of their silver and idols according to their own understanding

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all of it the work of craftsmen today i would say all of it the work of crafty

26:01

men so back then they had craftsmen today we have crafty men and they're all meeting now in davos

26:08

practicing their witchcraft all of it the work of crafty men or craftsmen they say of them

26:15

let the men that sacrifice kiss the calves so so they have a standard that they're

26:22

mandating we need to know that you accept our idolatry

26:27

and so we're going to put certain mandates down and if you want to be in our club you're going to do these things

26:34

so be careful be very careful brethren if you have a powerful government colluding with other

26:41

powerful governments and issuing mandates and you buckle right away

26:48

i would i would warn against that because we all know how this ends up it ends up with mandates from the

26:54

antichrist and it ends up with people going ahead and sacrificing and kissing the calves

27:01

to demonstrate their loyalty our loyalty is to christ come with me

27:07

so so no we don't we don't run and buckle just because some big guy

27:13

some crafty man has put mandates out there for us to comply to

27:19

our god is christ not idols

27:26

verse 3 therefore they shall be as the morning cloud this is the natural

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conclusion you want to depart from god you want you want craftsmen who are

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skilled in fashioning idols or crafty men

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who are skilled in fashioning ideology and you want to follow these people

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it's vanity and it's all going to end with you chasing the wind

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and so he says as a result of this compliance with these craftsmen

28:03

and this compliance with the idolatry and the sacrifices

28:09

therefore they shall be as the morning cloud you know you wake up in the morning and it's a little bit cloudy

28:15

but by afternoon the sun is in full strength and all the clouds have gone

28:20

and as the early dew that passes away again the sun's in full strength the grass was a bit wet when we got up fully

28:26

dry now as the chaff that is driven within the whirlwind out of the floor

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and as the smoke out of the chimney so metaphor upon metaphor upon metaphor

28:38

basically to say ephraim shall disappear there's nothing in ephraim

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that will hold them in place they've chosen the way of idolatry

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they've chosen the way of vanity therefore they'll just be driven away like smoke

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driven by the wind yet he says god speaking

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yet this is the so despite the reality of what we've just covered

29:05

yet i am the lord your god you've rejected me

29:11

your rejection has brought upon you traumatic fate

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traumatic consequences and yet in all of that i'm the lord your god from the land of

29:24

egypt throughout the scriptures god continues to identify himself as the one who rescued egypt from egypt

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rescued israel from egypt i'm the lord your god from the land of egypt and you shall know no god but me

29:39

for there is no savior beside me well this is very interesting

29:45

now we're talking about ephraim's destruction ephraim's arrogance and pride

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ephraim's debauchery and rebellion and yet we're talking about a god

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who is fixed on israel and who's positioning himself to this

30:05

to this he's positioning himself as her savior

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this is incredible he says i did know you in the wilderness

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in the land of great drought so he's going back in time and saying this is our relationship

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according to their pastor so were they filled they were filled

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and their heart was exalted therefore have they forgotten me so prosperity has a way of doing this if

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we're not careful that when we're in drought oh god save us oh god save us

30:45

and we're very humble and what do we need to do and then when god prospers us oh we forget him

30:51

i don't need god i did this myself look look how talented i am

30:57

well that was what they did they were in drought they were in slavery

31:02

they were in poverty god acted to save them they became successful

31:08

they became prosperous and they forgot god therefore he says because of this

31:16

forgetting of god he says therefore i will be unto them as a lion that is

31:24

not fun that is something that you none of us i think would want to

31:29

meet a lion uh we know what that how that's going to end up you know uh a a a an unarmed human

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in a contest with a lion uh the outcome is pretty obvious and it's going to be horrific

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therefore i will be unto them as a lion as a leopard by the way while i observe

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them so the leopard is getting ready to pounce and is studying the prey it's just a matter of time

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before the leopard attacks he says i will meet them as a bear

32:03

that is bereaved of her whelps and that is something that none of us

32:09

want to ever come face to face with a bear that's been robbed of her whelps that is just furious and angry

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and will absolutely destroy this is the fate of israel this is the fate of israel therefore

32:23

i'll be unto them as a lion as a leopard by the way will i observe them i'm going

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to confront them like a bear that is bereaved of her whelps and i will tear the call of their

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heart that that membrane around the heart i'll just completely tear it apart uh you you they've become the prey of

32:41

the the bear and the lion and the leopard and there will i devour them like a lion

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this is why we our god is a consuming fire this is the fear we should have a right

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fear and awe of this god and israel's fate

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is to meet him like a lion the wild beast

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shall tear them now when god says

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the wild beast shall tear them he says i will rend them

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and then he says the wild beast shall tear them isaiah says to the beasts of the forest come come

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the the dogs the the dogs can't bark the dogs are sleeping slumbering

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so so he invites the wild beasts to come and devour the sheep so when god says he's going to tear them

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like a bear it's not that god is going to personally come down to earth

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and destroy his people it's other human beings

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are going to allow concepts and ideologies

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and ways of framing reality to infect them in such a way that satan will get a hold

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of them and the people of god are going to face the wrath of satan

34:06

he says oh israel you have destroyed yourself

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you've destroyed yourself you you've brought this upon yourself in fact this week where we're facing now

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this this uh just yesterday this horrific situation

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in uvalde texas where children 19 children

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i've been slaughtered and two teachers slaughtered

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this is as horrific as this is it we we have to realize this this is

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now our future this is not like a one-off we're gonna keep seeing things like this

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and and are we're gonna lose our children because humans are going to allow themselves

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to be infected by ideology of satan and then they're going to carry out

35:04

satan's wishes we just had i mentioned a great success in our congregation

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to have two young people who grew up in our congregation we watched them grow up and watch them make choices

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based on the education they were receiving and in fact i just want to read to you

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something that pastor murray where we're doing this count many of you do have access to to slack but those of you who

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might not pastor murray every single day he helps us count towards pentecost and

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today he wrote this i'll just take a little snapshot here he says

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as we contemplate the tragedy in uvalde texas yesterday

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what should our message be not just as a church organization but you and me

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as disciples of christ the unspeakable events of the murders of so many innocent

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school children is the product of a sinful world

36:05

completely devoid of a respect reverence and piety of god and his way

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these ways are outlined for us in the torah cried out by the prophets explained by the writings and taken to

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the next level by christ and the apostles well written pastor murray thank you and

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this is what we have to realize that for our people who have rejected christ

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i mentioned already taking christ out of the classroom bringing in drag queen

36:38

pedophiles you you have destroyed yourself what does the prophet says he says oh israel

36:46

you have destroyed yourself but in me is your help

36:51

so so we we can actually see that today we've destroyed ourselves

36:57

these these are our decisions i mentioned already this current administration self-inflicted wounds

37:04

if you know um osama bin laden couldn't be as effective destroying

37:10

america as this current administration has been in less than two years

37:16

death by a thousand cuts very efficient every possible angle of destruction is now in play

37:22

and we've done it to ourselves we did this we chose this and as goes america

37:27

so goes the western world so goes western civilization so goes civilization

37:32

and and so goes the ethic of scripture that these laws that we have built our

37:39

society by are influenced by in many cases founded upon

37:44

scripture and we're going to take those away and welcome shanghai

37:51

welcome communist china ethics where human beings don't matter

37:58

so just we'll just use technology to enslave everybody you thought pharaoh was bad

38:04

wait we see what's coming and again this is just really well written that we we mourn

38:11

this incredible loss of children but we also have to acknowledge we've done this to ourselves in fact you know

38:18

as i contemplate this obviously a very troubled young man

38:26

did this but now we have a new generation of children

38:31

who have been traumatized by this lockdown who've been traumatized by having to

38:38

wear masks who've been traumatized by being taught human beings are nasty keep six feet

38:44

away from them don't touch another human human beings are evil they breathe carbon

38:49

they're horrible you you don't know how to interpret facial expressions anymore

38:54

you you will live online and not touch another human being when and when you do come to school

39:01

we'll put drag queens in front of you we'll put pedophiles in front of you these these children this generation is

39:08

traumatized so now when this generation is now 15 years from now

39:15

and they're now in their early 20s let's say late teens early 20s

39:21

and they have such a traumatic start in life and they don't know how to connect to another human being many of them

39:26

don't have fathers many of them don't have a stable household many of them have never heard the name

39:32

of christ and when they do they laugh what kind of trauma

39:39

will we be subjected to then what what is the the moral code

39:45

that these people these human beings who have now grown up to become adults what moral code will they govern

39:51

themselves by if this man here can take a a gun and just wipe out a whole classroom

39:58

what about the generation that's coming up that's totally devoid of human contact

40:03

and has no moral code get ready

40:08

we face a very very this this is just the the early birth pangs to say it's

40:14

coming the the sorrow all the christ said all this is the beginning of sorrows

40:21

he says here oh israel you've destroyed yourself you've done this to you you abandoned
40:27

the torah and you've brought this upon yourself and then he says this
40:32

despite this and her ways he says but in me
40:39

is your help it's not the end it should be the end
40:44

but it's not the end i will be your king where is any other
40:51

that may save you in all your cities remember israel rejected god as their king they wanted their
own king

40:57
and god said to samuel let them have their king and now despite all of this whoredom
41:04

because of his covenant faithfulness he says to israel i will be your king
41:10

where is any other that may save you in all your cities is there anybody else that can can get you
out of this mess

41:16
and your judges of whom you said give me a king and princes
41:22

i gave you a king in my anger right when when samuel came to god
41:28

saying people want a king god was furious about that and yet he said he relented and said let
41:33

them have their king i gave you a king in my anger and took him away in my wrath
41:40

the iniquity of ephraim is bound up his sin is hid it's like ephraim
41:47

collects sin and grows in sin and thinks he's getting away with it
41:53

ephraim thinks he can hide this sin the sorrows of a travailing woman
42:00

shall come upon him you know when christ says in matthew 24 all these are the
42:06

beginning of sorrows if you don't have a grounding in in the prophets
42:11

it just sounds like oh he's using a metaphor to say it's going to be like birth pangs instead of
realizing uh-oh

42:18
this is the signal of the great tribulation this is the signal of the time of

42:25

jacob's trouble specifically jacob is going to have a level of suffering the likes of which the world
42:33
and any nation has ever seen the sorrows of a travailing woman shall come upon him
42:39
he's an unwise son he's stupid it's like you scratch your head and you say
42:45
can anybody be this stupid can a nation be this unwise that's ephraim he's an unwise son
42:53
for he should for he should not stay long in the place of the breaking forth of
43:00
children so you would think you would figure this out but no we're going to have more and
more
43:06
of this suffering again here christ says all these are the beginnings of sorrows
43:12
this is when he says here it's the sorrows of a travailing woman
43:18
israel is the travailing woman and and she is going to give birth to zion
43:24
zion is going to come out of this god is going to inherit israel
43:29
but she has to go through this travail so all these are the beginning of sorros everything that we're
seeing happening
43:36
around us it's all the beginning of this great tribulation
43:41
and and hopefully we see it now we might not have seen it before hopefully we haven't fallen
asleep
43:47
hopefully we're waking up we said sometimes things are just too big to believe to be true
43:52
you know would all the nations of the world the leaders collaborate
43:58
and force us to be vaccinated no that's that's conspiracy theory wait a minute
44:04
aren't they actually meeting this week to do exactly that so hopefully we see it now
44:11
all these are the beginning of sorrows back to hosea 13 and verse 14.
44:16
he says this is this is god's perspective
44:22
his plan is counsel for israel i i will ransom ransom them from the
44:29

power of the grave i will redeem them from death this is

44:35

fascinating this this is what this is how we must read scripture

44:41

this is what we mean when we say we have good news i would like to preach to you the gospel

44:48

of jesus christ open hosea what hosea i thought the gospel was only in the new

44:54

testament no open hosea let me show you grace let me preach to you

45:00

the good news from the hebrew bible i i do not need

45:06

the new testament as deacon jan rightly says the apostolic writings the gospels the apostolic writings

45:13

the apocalypse the revelation i won't i won't use those texts

45:18

bring me the hebrew bible and let me preach to you the gospel for the next two years

45:25

exclusively from the hebrew bible because it's all here

45:30

the bad news as well as the good news and the victory in christ

45:35

he says i will ransom israel from the power of the the the grave

45:42

will have tremendous power over israel the kind of power that the

45:47

grave will have over israel is this this power that god explained he's going to meet

45:53

israel like a bear robbed of her whelps like a lion like a leopard that that's

46:00

the power that the grave is going to have over it there will be dead bodies everywhere

46:06

and yet he says the same god that rescued them from egypt and is reminding them that he rescued them from egypt he

46:11

says i'm going to ransom them from the power of the grave i will redeem them

46:17

from death and we only need to look to ezekiel 37 to comprehend this

46:22

oh death i will be your plagues god is going to plague death to release israel from the

46:29

power of death o grave i will be your destruction this is just beautiful

46:36

poetry repentance shall be hid from my eyes

46:43

he says here now i love this correlating this to revelation and i love this verse in revelation 1

46:50

verse 18. you know blessed is he who reads and they who hear

46:56

the words of this prophecy and keep those things which are written therein so we need to be going back to

47:03

revelation hearing it and keeping it but the the the poetry here is just

47:09

beautiful christ says to john when john john sees him

47:15

you know john hears him first and then he turns around to see the voice that spoke with him and when he

47:21

sees the glory of christ he just collapses and passes out and then god

47:27

puts his right hand on him and says fear not i am he

47:33

that lives i live and i was dead

47:40

the grave has no power over me i was dead but i live

47:46

and then he says and behold so i i live i was dead

47:52

and behold really let this sink in i'm alive forevermore

47:59

and then and then christ gives himself an amen this is such a profound

48:05

truth that that as he speaks it he's inspired to give himself an amen

48:12

and he that lives i was dead that's true but behold

48:17

i'm alive forevermore amen and then he says and i have the keys

48:24

of the grave end of death and again if we're not rooted in the prophets

48:30

then we read revelation and we start making up all kinds of things but one of the things we don't realize

48:36

is revelation is the buckle on the belt revelation brings everything together all all the writings all the prophets

48:42

all the torah all of it comes into revelation it's it's the bow that pulls

48:48

it all together and so when when christ says this to john

48:54

john has all the knowledge of the scrolls to tie all this together

49:00

so he says here to ephraim that he will ransom them from the power

49:06

of the grave and he will redeem them from death and here in his victory he says to john

49:12

i have the keys to the grave i can unlock the grave and even though there's dead bodies in those graves

49:18

don't worry i've got the keys to death as well so i can unlock the grave and i can unlock death

49:23

and i can release my covenant people from the power of the grave and death

49:30

he says in verse 15 back to hosea

49:38

though he be fruitful among his brethren an east wind shall come the wind of the

49:44

lord shall come up from the wilderness and his spring shall become dry again you know

49:50

if we're not grounded in moses it gets confusing is israel going to live or die

49:56

well they're gonna live but they have to be punished and so here even though israel iframe will be uh

50:04

fruitful among his brethren he's going to be destroyed his spring shall become dry so he says

50:09

you know i've gotten me wealth yeah it's going to dry up the economy is going to collapse on you and his fountain shall be dried up

50:16

he shall spoil the treasure of all pleasant vessels if god has done this anciently

50:23

he can do it again so current prosperity

50:29

really means nothing if we're not in compliance

50:34

accordance with god you can take it all away and and all of the

50:40

mechanisms are in place to completely impoverish the western world

50:46

and we've done it to ourselves we had a window where we could have recovered and and hopefully repented as

50:52

well but it didn't look like we were going to repent anyway so that recovery window has closed and been taken away

50:57

from us and the economy is it's already shattered

51:04

it's going to dry up and that is going to be very painful but again

51:10

if we are rooted in covenant we will be faithful also

51:15

we'll see through we'll we'll encourage each other through the tough times and we'll

51:20

encourage each other with the faithfulness of god's covenant what did he say about abraham

51:26

that abraham believed because he knew it's impossible for god to lie and and you know by two immutable things

51:32

in which it's impossible to god for god to lie that he made a promise and he gave an oath it's impossible for him to go back on

51:39

this this is the way we're going to be encouraging each other because this is how we can have strong consolation

51:47

he says he shall spoil the treasure of all pleasant vessels so god is going to

51:54

intervene and to shatter the economy and bring him down samaria so that's ephraim the tribe

51:59

now he's going to speak of israel as a whole samaria shall become desolate

52:05

for she has rebelled against her god that's it so everything we're seeing now and

52:11

they're talking about climate change and they're talking about vaccine mandates

52:16

and they're talking about open borders and everything that they're saying it's just

52:22

allowing god to bring to pass the destruction of western civilization

52:30

which was built upon a judeo-christian ethic

52:36

which we have rejected i don't i don't know how anybody can see

52:41

this any other way samaria shall become desolate for she

52:46

has rebelled against her god they shall fall by the sword so we are

52:51

weakening ourselves right we'll give 40 billion dollars to someone else while our back door is wide

52:58

open we're weakening ourselves we're destroying our own military might

53:04

and we will fall through through military once the economy collapses

53:11

and the military has been weakened people will just walk in and invade

53:17

they shall fall by the sword their infants shall be dashed in pieces

53:23

and again what we've just seen this week in texas i wish i wish it was

53:28

a one-off i wish it never happened but but the fact that it has i wish it

53:34

would never happen again and it's gonna happen again we we hate our children

53:39

we want to pervert our children you know as long as we have prosperity we're happy to to rape and molest our children

53:46

and we're happy to abort them and then when tragedies like this happen suddenly we find tears

53:53

suddenly we care about children but we we have made it very clear we do

53:58

not care about our children if we cared about our children we teach them about christ so

54:04

the plan of god is for him to be faithful to the

54:10

covenant and so we've brought this upon ourselves samaria's infants shall be dashed in

54:16

pieces and their women with child shall be ripped up

54:21

so so this is not exclusive this this curse

54:26

is not exclusive to judah god says in in matthew 24 woe to the jews

54:33

that are pregnant they're going to have their bellies ripped open and to them they give suck in those days

54:40

they're going to have their children torn from them and destroyed this is a covenant curse

54:46

but it's not exclusive to judah christ tells us right here israel will also face this
54:52
because even though israel is divorced from god that was part of the covenant curse
54:59
but the covenant curse is still in effect so so by their dna
55:04
the curse will hunt them out and so both judah and israel shall
55:10
suffer the full force of the curses of breaking the covenant
55:17
he says in 14 and verse 1. and this is just so fascinating
55:22
i i hope brethren you're as fascinated by god's mercy as i am as i read this
55:31
these people should be written off that's the end they're so evil they're done
55:38
we just we can just make a catalogue called the evil of israel
55:43
they say catalog i meant an encyclopedia volumes and volumes of their evil
55:50
and then at the end we just conclude these people are done but they're not
55:57
because they're people of the covenant and god is gonna find god is gonna
56:02
through christ redeem them from the power of death
56:08
and the power of the grave he says o israel not judah
56:14
israel repent
56:20
return unto the lord your god so hosea
56:25
saying to the prostitute the prostitute wife come back
56:32
i know you've slept with everybody in the town and they've abused you and disrespected you
and disrespected me in
56:38
the process come back oh israel come back unto the lord your
56:44
god because you've fallen by your iniquity you did this to yourself
56:50
the prostitute is now impoverished she thought this was a quick way to make money
56:56
and she's completely impoverished herself people come back

57:02

then he says as you come back take with you words

57:07

and turn to the lord i love this take with you words somebody has to educate them the prophet

57:13

is educating them on what repentance means so that they know how to approach god

57:18

they can approach him now with respect and a clear understanding of his identity

57:24

take you take with you words don't don't come empty-handed don't come come clueless

57:31

understand you're coming before a great king and i pray that our own brethren

57:37

will understand we when we gather on sabbath we're coming before a great king

57:43

and we try you know we're not policemen here but we try pastor murray and i and

57:49

deacon jan within our congregation to set the example

57:55

and to share the knowledge we're coming before a great king

58:00

we we should be in our in our attitudes coming into the service

58:06

with a humility and an awe and we should be cleaning ourselves up

58:13

nobody would come before a great king who could just say off with your head if you offended them in any way and not

58:19

take care with their appearance but sometimes you go to congregations

58:25

the men have long hair the women have short skirts what is this what is going on here

58:33

is god not real come with a humble attitude

58:38

and bring with you words of worship and turn to the lord

58:43

say unto him so to understand how to relate to him and plead with it take away all iniquity

58:49

and receive us graciously how is that even possible without what we just observed

58:57

how is this possible without the blood of christ how how does

59:02

god allah abiding god how does he take away all iniquity

59:09

the encyclopedia of israel's sin how did you wash that away

59:14

what does he say let me find it here let me find it here in revelation 1

59:21

and verse

59:27

he says here i forgot i've got to just find this um

59:41

it's just it's just not coming to me right away which verse it is but he says oh here it is verse i

59:47

thought it was verse 5. he says this is a grace to this to the

59:55

churches and peace from the father from the seven spirits which are before

1:00:00

his throne and from jesus christ who is the faithful witness yes indeed amen

1:00:07

and the first begotten of the dead he has power over the grave he's the first begotten not the only begotten of

1:00:14

the dead and the prince of the kings of the earth let's praise him

1:00:19

unto him that loved us and washed us from our sins

1:00:25

in his own blood that's how it's possible and he has made us kings and priests

1:00:31

that so all of this sinfulness of israel and this is speaking of israel we're the

1:00:36

first fruits but this is a plan that ultimately all israel those repentant

1:00:41

israel will come under this plan and this will be a kingdom of priests on

1:00:47

the earth and god willing will talk about that on sabbath as we conclude the innocence project

1:00:53

but he says here god loved us that's israel he's he's god

1:00:58

isn't promiscuous oh god just loves everybody and he sleeps with everybody and he has

1:01:03

covenants with everybody this is the ultimate expression of covenant love

1:01:10

he loved us and he washed us from our sins in his own blood and that is the answer

1:01:16

to israel to come to him and say take away all iniquity with your blood

1:01:23

that that is how israel will be redeemed take away all iniquity

1:01:28

and receive us graciously this because he's god he's not man he's god not man

1:01:35

take away all iniquity and receive us who's us receive the whole world

1:01:40

this is israel receive israel according to the plan

1:01:46

which you laid down with moses in the torah let it be that way even though we veered

1:01:53

from the covenant because of your faithfulness bring us back into this covenant relationship

1:01:59

with you so that we can be this kingdom of priests to the world and bring salvation to the world

1:02:06

take away all iniquity and receive us graciously so will we render the calves of our lips

1:02:14

so so rather than presenting these these uh offerings to idols

1:02:20

sacrifices to idols they'll come with words they'll come to understand true

1:02:26

repentance and they will they will not appear before the lord empty they will bring

1:02:31

the most precious of offerings to god and this again just one verse out of

1:02:36

deuteronomy 30 does just tie this all together that when you repent

1:02:41

moses says you're going to pervert yourselves and corrupt yourselves and you're going to be driven out of the

1:02:47

land and you're going to be slaughtered and maybe moses even knew at the time that it would be the assyrian that would do

1:02:52

this but he says and to babylonians for judah he says

1:03:00

when you finally repent you shall return unto the lord your god

1:03:05

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

1:03:12

with all your heart and with all your soul there it is right there moses could see into the future

1:03:19

and he saw this he saw the graciousness of the god

1:03:24

who is faithful to covenant moses understood this covenant that they entered into

1:03:30

he also understood their corruption and he also understood the faithfulness of god to the covenant which we are now

1:03:37

witnessing through the example of hosea this filthy wife

1:03:43

that hosea had to pursue and win back versus just rejecting and saying this

1:03:50

is done if jose were to act as a man done never to speak to this woman again never

1:03:57

to lay eyes on her again don't even let her name be mentioned again if hosea were to act as a man

1:04:04

but he is to act as god go and pursue the

1:04:09

go and pursue the and bring her back and this is what christ is doing with

1:04:16

israel he says assyria ephraim is acknowledging we we ran to

1:04:22

assyria remember verse 5 chapter 5 verse 13 we ran to assyria

1:04:28

looking for help now we realize that was a fool's errand

1:04:34

assyria shall not save us no quite the opposite in fact assyria is going to be that bear that is

1:04:41

going to destroy you assyria shall not save us we will not ride upon horses they're not going to

1:04:47

give us any military help neither will we say any more to the work of our

1:04:53

hands you are our gods for in you the fatherless finds mercy

1:05:00

this is just a phenomenal uh realization that ephraim is coming into

1:05:07

he's been on a fool's errand he's been arrogant he's rejected his god but there is no one that can save him

1:05:14

besides christ and this is this acknowledgment now and all today you know in our world

1:05:20

today we've got i believe in this politician and that politician i believe in this policy or that policy i want to

1:05:27

follow this mandate or that mandate it's all idolatry and the only one that can save us is

1:05:34

christ and it looks like prophetically through the effective preaching of the

1:05:40

gospel the true gospel that israel and judah will come to

1:05:46

repentance so says moses but if we've gone off and kind of creating our own gospel

1:05:52

and and completely forgotten the covenant and making up a kind of a good muse that kind of superficially sounds

1:05:59

good but it's not rooted in torah then how are we fulfilling god's mission

1:06:05

god has a mission so they will acknowledge

1:06:10

that i love this in jehovah

1:06:16

the fatherless finds mercy

1:06:21

oh joe biden is a good honest man he's just so understanding

1:06:28

while tens of millions of babies are being slaughtered every year

1:06:33

slaughtered the weakest most innocent in our society slaughtered and they take joy in that

1:06:44

god cares about those human beings who are powerless

1:06:52

and this is where true mercy lies it doesn't lie in in justin trudeau

1:06:58

our prime minister who who wants to portray like he cares for the poor

1:07:04

when the truckers who said hey look you're we we drive our

1:07:10

truck we're by ourselves we don't understand why you want to force us to wear a mask and force us to

1:07:15

be ma uh vaccinated we spend most of the time by ourselves in fact most of us are vaccinated but we

1:07:21

just don't want you to force any of us to have to do this where where does this end

1:07:27

we'd like to talk to you and so they kind of coordinated this rally to go to ottawa to say talk to us

1:07:34

and it was very visible and all of a sudden you saw the amount of canadians that actually didn't like

1:07:41

being mandated to have a vaccine against basically a bad flu

1:07:49

and instead of listening to them instead of speaking to them say okay i'm

1:07:54

your prime minister let me hear what you have to say he crushed them like insects

1:08:02

i will not speak to you i will crush you was the answer from our prime minister

1:08:07

the one who wants us to believe that he cares for the poor this is the mercy of man

1:08:13

we christians are we looking to men for mercy because they will crush us

1:08:20

they hate christ and they will crush us true mercy

1:08:27

is going to be measured by how do you treat those that you can crush

1:08:34

we we can crush a a a child in the womb they have zero defense

1:08:41

like that we can crush them we can put a vacuum cleaner in there and completely destroy them
in fact now they're saying when they're

1:08:47

born they want to destroy them so they're take right up before the woman even gives birth right

1:08:53

abortion is fine even when she gives birth it's kill the child this is this gives you a hint

1:09:00

as to the kind of mercy that's in their heart

1:09:05

that is there is no mercy but this passage is beautiful

1:09:11

ephraim or samaria israel finally comes to the realization

1:09:17

no one cares for you no one cares for me the opposite they will destroy us

1:09:24

but in christ even the even the weakest among us will find mercy

1:09:32

he says listen this is the the of hosea

1:09:39

i will heal their backsliding oh but they're so evil let me show you the list of all their evil deeds
yeah i

1:09:45

know the bible tells me what's your point here's here's god's point

1:09:51

i will heal their backsliding i will love them freely this is just

1:09:56

we've we've just come through hosea together we understand the extent of the evil and the
debauchery

1:10:02

and what's god's answer to this evil and debauchery for israel i will heal their backsliding

1:10:09

i will love them freely so we studied isaiah isaiah made it clear look my prophecy is regarding judah and

1:10:15

specifically jerusalem micah made it clear my prophecy is specifically regarding judah and jerusalem

1:10:22

and now we're studying amos and hosea regarding israel even though they're divorced and

1:10:29

separated and under the curse of the covenant it's clear that they're still included

1:10:34

in the ultimate outcome of the covenant love and here it is

1:10:40

i will heal israel of her backsliding i will love israel freely

1:10:46

for my anger has turned away from him in hosea 6 in verse 1 remember he said

1:10:53

this come and let us return unto the lord let's obey moses

1:10:59

let's return unto the lord for he has torn that lion that leopard that bear

1:11:05

that was furious he has torn but he will heal us

1:11:10

he has smitten and he will bind us up in into judah we see the same message

1:11:17

they're both together the covenant is still with judah but israel is not forgotten

1:11:22

and israel will be joined back to judah through this innocence project that

1:11:28

christ is pulling off jeremiah 3 and verse 22 return speaking to you judah

1:11:33

you backsliding children and i will heal your backsliding same as israel's saying for judah

1:11:39

behold we come unto you for you are the lord our god this is just beautiful and if

1:11:45

this can be done if we can be a part of this as a result of our accurate preaching of

1:11:50

the gospel that as the world begins to unravel

1:11:56

and the birth pangs kick in and the travail of the woman kicks in

1:12:01

that in all of this we are preaching a very accurate gospel message that as the world gets

1:12:08

reconfigured our voices make more and more sense as we get closer to the

1:12:14

return of christ our gospel message just completely outpaces

1:12:20

any false gospel and it just makes more and more sense and these people ultimately respond to

1:12:27

it and then there they are when christ returns they have given themselves over

1:12:33

to him and they're returning to him with words because they understand the gospel and with honor

1:12:39

he says to judah return you backsliding children and i'll

1:12:44

heal your backslidings this is the gospel behold we come unto you for you

1:12:50

are the lord our god exactly what mooses said back to hosea 14 verse 5 he says i

1:12:57

will be as the dew unto the this is just

1:13:02

oh there's no grace in the old testament there's no mercy the old testament is this vicious god who just crushes

1:13:08

everybody i will be as the jew unto israel

1:13:14

he shall grow as the lily the he shall grow as the lily and cast forth

1:13:21

his roots as lebanon and again we'd have to live at the time and see the kind of trees

1:13:26

that were in lebanon and just the the abundance and and the the strength

1:13:31

of the forest but we get the sense his branches shall spread

1:13:38

and his beauty shall be as the olive tree and his smell as lebanon so these olive

1:13:45

trees were just so beautiful and powerful and and long-living and source of of strength and joy

1:13:53

this is israel to the world isaiah says this in that day

1:13:59

chapter 27 verse 1 in that day the lord with his sore and great and

1:14:06

strong sword shall punish leviathan the piercing serpent

1:14:11

even you know what yes let me go even the crooked serpent and he shall slay the dragon that is in the sea

1:14:18

in that day sing you unto her

1:14:24

this is not what i want let me just do that one verse six

1:14:29

hopefully i've got it here i don't know why it's going all these let me just see if i can pardon me

1:14:36

he says yes this is what i want verse six

1:14:43

i don't know why it's taking the whole chapter uh verse six he shall cause them

1:14:48

that of jacob to take root that's that's what i wanted to see here

1:14:54

let me just see what happened i was in hosea

1:15:02

i'm not sure why i did that oh i see what happened to put a comma instead of a period okay sorry about that

1:15:08

let's just continue

1:15:14

that okay so he shall cause them in fact i wanna

1:15:20

let's just go back to verse six when i finish reading this

1:15:26

he shall cause them that come of jacob so this is coming through this great

1:15:31

tribulation we thought israel was written off we thought okay the covenants with judah

1:15:37

israel's divorce they're written off no he says he shall cause them that come of jacob

1:15:42

not just judah to take root israel not just judah shall blossom and

1:15:48

bud and fill the face of the world with fruit this is the gospel

1:15:53

this is the good news that that covenant that they entered into

1:15:59

with moses or through moses with god and they said yes all that the lord said

1:16:04

we will do and we will become this kingdom of priests it's going to happen that's the good news

1:16:11

that's that's the gospel that if these people were resurrected and they were to hear the gospel message

1:16:16

being preached by the apostles by paul

1:16:21

they would recognize what they were preaching the the gospel by christ they would recognize it

1:16:27

fast forward 2000 years and the christian church is preaching a gospel

1:16:33

that's not the same gospel that paul preached it's not the same gospel that christ

1:16:40

preached it's not the same gospel that mooses preached in fact in hebrews paul

1:16:45

says that you know they the forefathers heard the same gospel as us

1:16:51

but they didn't with them it wasn't mixed with faith they didn't believe the gospel they heard the same message we've

1:16:57

gotten but we believe it so is our gospel the same message as the forefathers if we were to resurrect them

1:17:03

and say this is the gospel would they recognize it well here it is

1:17:10

he says in isaiah that israel shall blossom and bud and fill the face of the world with

1:17:16

fruit here in hosea

1:17:22

he says he's going to be as the jew he's going to he's going to nourish israel and israel will grow as the lily and

1:17:29

cast forth his roots as lebanon his branches shall spread and his beauty

1:17:34

shall be as the olive tree and his smell as lebanon they that dwell under his shadow shall

1:17:42

return they shall revive as the corn and grow as the vine the sin thereof shall be as

1:17:49

the wine of lebanon this is the gospel message ephraim shall say so this is ultimately

1:17:58

what is the culmination of these horrendous attacks

1:18:04

this economic collapse this military destruction

1:18:10

and this consistent preaching of the gospel consistent preaching of the gospel doesn't matter what you do to us someone

1:18:17

comes up reads the scriptures behind us and follows suit and preaches the same message we were preaching the same

1:18:24

message moises preached the same moises is in the grave uh

1:18:29

all the prophets including isaiah are in the grave christ himself was in the grave of

1:18:35

course he's in heaven now the apostles are all in the grave and yet this gospel message keeps being

1:18:41

preached because you cannot stop it some it doesn't matter what you do to us

1:18:47

someone's going to come up behind us pick up the scriptures and carry on so where did where where does it all end

1:18:54

for israel ephraim shall say what have i to do anymore with idols

1:19:00

that i'm done with idols i have heard him and observed him i am like a green fir tree

1:19:07

from me is your fruit found so so isaiah israel recognizes their nourishment is

1:19:14

coming from god their prosperity is coming from god and then the chapter or

1:19:19

the book ends with this verse who is wise

1:19:26

and he shall understand these things so this is now we've come to the conclusion

1:19:31

of the scroll of hosea and he asked the question

1:19:37

who is wise and he shall understand these things

1:19:42

prudent and he shall know them what what are these things well we have to go all the way back to

1:19:47

hosea 1 the beginning of the scroll understand the relationship that hosea had with with gomer and the children

1:19:55

and take all of that to understand the relationship that god has with israel

1:20:01

and understand the gospel message in all of this and then the book concludes by asking

1:20:08

this question who is wise well if we're wise we'll understand these things

1:20:14

who is wise and he shall understand these things prudent and he shall know them

1:20:19

for the ways of the lord are right this is what we are preaching

1:20:24

that god has a counsel that he from ancient times he has predicted

1:20:30

what he's going to do in the future and nobody can stop this nobody can unravel it

1:20:36

no one can mitigate it we understand this and this is what we preach

1:20:41

for the ways of the lord are right this is the right that what he does is righteousness

1:20:47

and the just shall walk in them but the transgressors shall fall therein

1:20:54

this is speaking of israel the whole call and the whole experience

1:20:59

is for israel to make up their mind are they for god or are they going to persist in being against god malachi

1:21:05

says this behold the day comes that shall burn as

1:21:11

an up and this is our message the day is coming that's going to burn as an oven

1:21:16

and all the proud yes all that do wickedly shall be stubble

1:21:23

this is speaking of god's covenant people we're trying to appeal to them to repent

1:21:28

if they don't if they persist in their pride they shall be stubble and the day comes

1:21:35

the day that comes shall burn them up says the lord of hosts and it shall leave them neither root nor branch

1:21:44

israel has a choice to make persist in her pride or repent

1:21:50

and come to the lord with words and as moses said wholeheartedly with

1:21:55

your children come and repent let's conclude with daniel 12 because hosea

1:22:01

ends by asking who is wise that will understand these things daniel says

1:22:08

many through this process that we're going through coming into the return of christ

1:22:15

many shall be purified and made white that's the process and tried so as

1:22:20

traumatic as these times are this is the gospel this is the good news that many

1:22:25

shall be purified and made white and tried but the wicked shall do wickedly there is a cohort a

1:22:33

very large cohort that we just will not reach they're going to persist in their pride and their
debauchery

1:22:40

that's just the nature of man the wicked shall do wickedly and none of

1:22:46

the wicked shall understand but he says the wise shall understand

1:22:54

and hosea ends by asking who is wise and shall understand these things

1:22:59

so brethren i pray that as we study the scriptures line upon line bringing it all together

1:23:06

that we will just through this grace of god we will be able to put everything together

1:23:12

and be wise and as the world around us turns and changes suddenly and dramatically and

1:23:17

chaotically we're just going to be here understanding it all and preaching the true gospel what a

1:23:23

mighty god we serve god bless you brethren god willing we'll see you on sabbath

1:26:05

you