

THE RELENTLESS LOVE OF GOD

A STUDY OF HOSEA

#2: GOD LOVES THE UNLOVABLE—HOSEA 1-3 (PART 2)

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I. HOSEA AND GOMER: GOD'S LOVES THE UNLOVABLE – HOSEA 1-3

1. God tells Hosea to marry a prostitute (1:1-2)
2. Hosea has children with Gomer (v.3-9)
3. The Lord offers the hope of restoration and reconciliation (v.10-11)
4. Gomer abandons her family to return to prostitution (2:1-13)

Good understanding wins favor, but the way of the unfaithful is hard.
Proverbs 13:15 (NIV)

5. The Lord vows to win back unfaithful Israel (v.14-20)

GOD SPECIALIZES IN...

**Turning messes into miracles
Trials into triumphs
Tragedies into testimonies
And victims into victors!**

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How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!

1 John 3:1a (NIV)

6. Hosea purchases Gomer out of bondage (3:1-5)

Keep watch over yourselves and all the flock of which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers. Be shepherds of the church of God, which he bought with his own blood.

Acts 20:28 (NIV)

"The Kingdom of Heaven is like a treasure that a man discovered hidden in a field. In his excitement, he hid it again and sold everything he owned to get enough money to buy the field. "Again, the Kingdom of Heaven is like a merchant on the lookout for choice pearls. When he discovered a pearl of great value, he sold everything he owned and bought it!

Matthew 13:44-46 (NLT)

II. WHAT I LEARN ABOUT GOD'S LOVE FROM HOSEA AND GOMER

1. God loves me even when I am unfaithful

Even if we are not faithful, he will remain faithful. He must be true to himself.

2 Timothy 2:13 (NIRV)

2. God will never stop loving and pursuing me

The mountains and hills may crumble, but my love for you will never end...

Isaiah 54:10a (TEV)

3. God purchased me out of bondage to sin

When we were utterly helpless, Christ came at just the right time and died for us sinners. Now, most people would not be willing to die for an upright person, though someone might perhaps be willing to die for a person who is especially good. But God showed his great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners.

Romans 5:6-8 (NLT)