

Learning from past failures

Hosea 12 and 13

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Hosea

- C8th, mostly in the northern kingdom (Israel, Ephraim)
- Alliance with Assyria, but flirting with Egypt
- Chs 1-3: Hosea's troubled marriage
- Chs 4-11: The court case against Israel
- Ch 11: The conflicted God
- Chs 12 and 13: Judgment
- Ch 14: Hope

Ch 12: Learning from Israel's story

- All is not well: deceit with God (11:12) and the allies (1) and in business (7)
- Jacob: the arch deceiver (Genesis 32)
- Moses, the prophet (Exodus)
- Action: Return to your God (6); listen to the prophets (10, 13)

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Ch 12: Learning from Israel's story

Handling dishonesty

- Lying to God; duplicity in relationships; shady dealings
- Coming back to God

Ch 13: Discerning the heart

- It starts with worship (1-2)
- Politics as worship (10-11)
- No staying power (3, 9, 15)
- The anger of God (7-8)

Ch 13: Discerning the heart

- Discerning our hearts
- Arrogance and fear
- Dealing with the false gods

Learning from past failures

- A new start?
- Hearing the prophets (12: 10)
- Practicing resurrection (13: 14)