### The Book of HOSEA Chapters 7 – 10 "THE LESSONS OF SOWING & REAPING"

### Chapter 7- "Israel's Rebellion Against God"

(v1,2) Iniquity & Wickedness

(v3) Corrupt Government

(v4,5) Immorality & Drunkenness

(v5-9) Scoffers yesterday - Scoffers today- 2Peter Ch. 3

(v10) Apostate Pride- Apostate Church- Rev. 3:14-22

> Bible commentator Barnes writes, "So, when God, made Man, present and visible, willed to "heal Israel," then that iniquity of the Jews and wickedness of the Scribes and Pharisees was discovered, whereof this iniquity of Ephraim and wickedness of Samaria was a type. For an evil spirit goaded them to mock, persecute, blaspheme the Teacher of repentance (our Lord Jesus) who, together with the word of preaching, did works, such as none other man did. For Christ pleased them not, a Teacher of repentance, persuading to poverty, a Pattern of humility, a Guide to meekness, a Monitor to mourn for sins, a Proclaimer of righteousness, a Requirer of mercy, a Praiser of purity of heart, a Rewarder of peace, a Consoler of those who suffered persecution for righteousness' sake. Why did they reject, hate, persecute, Him who taught thus? Because they loved all contrary thereto, and wished for a Messiah, who should exalt them in this world, and disturb the peace of nations, until he should by war subdue to their empire all the rest of the world, build for them on earth a Jerusalem of gold and gems, and fulfill their covetousness in all things of this sort.

(v11) Seeking the World's help not God (v14-16) Rebellion

# Chapter 8- "Israel Has Forgotten Her Maker"

(v1) Rejecting the Word of God
(v2-6) False leaders & Idolatry
(v7-10) Sowing & Reaping – Galatians 6:7-10
(v11-13) Altars of sin
(v14) Temples of sin

## Chapter 9- "Israel Has Played The Harlot"

(v1-6) Harlotry (Halloween) & Judgment
(v7-9) False Prophets & Teachers - Today- 1Timothy 4:1;
2 Timothy 4:3,4; 2 Peter 2:1-3
(v10) Baal-Peor - was the god of the Moabites in whose worship young maidens prostituted themselves.
(v11-17) Judgment

### Chapter 10- "Israel, It Is Time To Seek The LORD"

(v1,2) Israel's guilty heart

(v3,4) No fear of the LORD

(v5-11) Mourning over their idols & Judgment

(v12) Sow righteousness, reap mercy - SEEK THE LORD!

(v13-15) More judgment