

Israel's Failure – Part 1 (Hosea 4)

vv. 1-3 – God's case against Israel

- Israel's sins
- Consequences

vv. 4-10 – Sins of Israel's spiritual _____

- They stumble rather than _____
- Responsible for people's lack of _____
- Greater the number of priests, the greater the _____
- Corruption of _____ system
- Have forsaken the Lord to practice _____

vv. 11-14 – Israel's harlotry has led them _____ from God

- *Taken away their heart* – dulled their _____, will, & _____
- Consequence:

vv. 15-19 – Israel's _____ in her harlotry

- Don't take _____ down with you
- Stop your hypocrisy in your _____
- Israel is _____ and has chosen her idols

The Take-Away

1. Israel's failure: her failure to _____

- Result: *My people are _____ for lack of _____*
- One place I cannot afford to fail: _____ (Phil. 3:8)

How? – Primarily through His _____

- What does this teach me about _____ God is?
- How can I _____ God's Word: obey and believe

2. Close link between _____ / rejecting God & sexual _____

- Takes away the _____ (mind, will, and affections)
- Rom. 1:24-28 – *God gave them over* → a downward _____

- To reject God's _____ is to reject Him (1 Thess. 4:3-8)
- Say _____ to sexual immorality