

PREACHING CURRICULUM

The Gospel in the OT

Hosea 3

We sin, God seeks. We owe, God pays. God calls, we repent.

1 REVIEW THE SERMON

LEADER NOTES: Encourage your members to pull out their notes and review the main points of the sermon. (9-12 mins)

Read Hosea 3:1-5

Who takes the initiative in the act of redeeming Gomer?

Where was Gomer when Hosea redeemed her?

What does Hosea expect of his wife after he had bought her out of slavery? What does Hosea promise to do for her?

How are Hosea's actions in this passage a picture or an illustration of the Gospel?

2 ASSESS YOUR LIFE

LEADER NOTES: Evaluate the condition of your lives in relation to the truth from God's Word. Encourage heart examination. (12-15 mins)

How serious of a problem is sin? Do you agree that those who engage in sin are actually *enslaved to it*?

Are we able to do anything on our own to free ourselves from our slavery to sin?

Who takes the initiative in our salvation?

3 APPLY THE TRUTH

LEADER NOTES: Create a list of ways to close the gap between your lives and the truth of the Bible. Be practical and intentional. (12-15 mins)

What has God done for us in order to free us from our sin?

When God releases us from our slavery to sin, what is our appropriate response to Him? What should be our attitude towards sin from that point forward?

Does being free from sin mean that we will never struggle with it again?

4 COMMIT THIS WEEK

LEADER NOTES: Call your small group members to make a commitment and get the group working together to follow-up with each other. (9-12)

How will you live in the freedom of God's astonishing love this week?