

## **“GOING INTO THE DEPTHS OF DEPRAVITY”**

**Hosea 9:1-9**

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### **Verse 1**

- 1) Why did the Lord not want Israel to be happy?
- 2) How had Israel been immoral?
- 3) What are the “rewards” or “earnings” they gained on “corn-floors” or “threshing floors?”

### **Verse 2**

- 1) What is the point about the “floor” and “winepress” of this verse?

### **Verse 3**

- 1) Where will Israel live? Not in \_\_\_\_\_.
- 2) Why the mention of “Lord’s” before land?
- 3) What is the point of mentioning Egypt as well as Assyria in verse 3?
- 4) What are the “unclean things” they would be eating and why?

### **Verse 4**

- 1) What are the “wine offerings” they will not offer to the Lord? Why not?

- 2) Why would their sacrifices not be pleasing to the Lord, and how would they be like the “bread of mourners”?
- 3) What does it mean that those who eat will “be polluted” or “defiled”?
- 4) How will their bread be “for their soul” or “for themselves” and not come into the house of the Lord?

#### **Verse 5**

- 1) What is Hosea’s point in this verse?

#### **Verse 6**

- 1) What does it mean that “they are gone because of destruction”?
- 2) What kind of “gathering” takes place in this verse?
- 3) How do these Jews get over to Memphis?
- 4) How do nettles or weeds possess “pleasant places for silver”?
- 5) How do thorns take over “tabernacles” or “tents”?
- 6) What is the two-fold reference to the two places—for silver and tents?

#### **Verse 7**

- 1) Did Israel go out on “visitation”?
- 2) “Recompense” is good, right?
- 3) Who says, “The prophet is a fool, the spiritual man is mad”?

4) How is that connected with “the multitude of your iniquity” and “the great hatred”?

5) Whose “hatred” is it?

### **Verse 8**

Verse 8 is an extremely difficult verse to translate and to understand. My questions will be based on the understanding I have gained after a painstaking study of the verse! Actually, I think that the KJV does a marvelous job with this verse.

1) Who is the “watchman of Ephraim” who was “with my God.”

2) How is “the prophet” different?

3) How is he “the snare of a fowler” in all his ways?

4) What is the “hatred in the house of his god”?

5) Whose “house” does Hosea refer to here?

### **Verse 9**

1) Who has “gone deep in depravity”?

2) What are the “days of Gibeah”?

3) What does the “remembrance” refer to here, and the “visitation”?