

Hosea 1:4-11 – Three Words of Judgment

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The three words of judgment come to Israel in the form of three _____, given to Hosea’s children by the command of God. Why would God choose to use this kind of word to communicate judgment to His covenant people?

The first word of Judgment: _____ (God Scatters)

The root of this name can communicate two distinct but related concepts:

One _____ :

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The extensive history of disobedience and treachery in the city of Jezreel serves to remind us that **Yahweh is a God of justice, and He does not _____ His Word!**

The second word of judgment: ____ - _____ (No Mercy)

‘For I will no more have mercy on the house of Israel...’

What are some examples of mercy that Yahweh has poured out upon Israel to this point, despite their frequent disobedience and idolatry?

God will no longer have mercy on the _____ of Israel. In what ways is this *corporate* judgment different than an *individual* judgment?

The third word of judgment: ____ - _____ (Not My People)

According to God’s providential will, the northern kingdom will no longer carry the terms of the covenant – that responsibility will fall to the southern kingdom Judah.

Beginning in verse 10, a ray of hope begins to cut through the dark clouds of judgment. Because the covenant hinges on *God’s* faithfulness rather than our own, He will bring about redemption!

Note how the 3 words of judgment turned around in verses 10-11:

God scatters → God _____

No mercy → God shows great mercy

No my people → God will save a people for Himself