

Application:

TEXT: Hosea 5:8-15

TITLE: "A Moth and a Lion"

→ Judgment surely comes when people resist the Lord, and turn from His ways, but turning back to the Lord, seeking Him diligently brings restoration.

1. The LORD Warns Priests and Princes in Israel and in Judah—5:1-7

A. Leaders are Addressed—5:1a-c

B. Judgment is Assigned—5:1d-2

C. God Knows Intimately Ephraim and Israel—5:3

D. Ephraim and Israel Do Not Know God!—5:4-5

E. Ephraim and Israel Will Attempt to Worship in Vain—5:6

F. Ephraim and Israel Are Judged for Treacherous Actions—5:7

**2. The LORD W_____ Benjamin of Ephraim's
W_____—5:8-9**

A. The Trumpets Sound the Alarm—5:8a-b

1. In Gibeah—about 3 miles north of Jerusalem

2. In Ramah—Samuel's hometown, north of Gibeah
→ 1 Samuel 7:17

**B. A Cry is Heard in Beth Aven (Bethel)—north of
Ramah—5:8c**

C. Benjamin is Warned—5:8d

D. Ephraim's Judgment Will Be Known—5:9a-b

1. Desolation Will Come with Rebuke—5:9a

2. The Tribes of Israel Will Know—5:9b
(→ Yahweh's judgment is certain!)

3. The Lord Reveals P_____ in Judah and Ephraim—5:10-12

A. The Princes of Judah Destabilize their Nation—5:10

1. They are Like Ones who Move Landmarks—5:10a-b
2. They Will Experience God's Wrath Like Water Floods—5:10c-d

B. Ephraim Will Experience Brokenness—5:11

1. He Will be Oppressed—5:11a
2. He Will be Broken in/under Judgment!!—5:11b
3. The Cause: He Willfully Lived by Human Precepts—5:11c

C. God Explains the Consequences of Their Sins--5:12

1. God Will be Like a Moth to Ephraim—5:12a
2. God Will be Like Rottenness to Judah—5:12b

4. The LORD Exposes Ephraim's F_____ R_____ to Trouble—5:13

A. Ephraim Understood His Sickness (Judah, too!)—5:13a-b

B. Ephraim Sought the Wrong Solution—5:13c-d

1. He Went to Assyria—5:13c
2. He Sent to the Mighty King (Jareb of Assyria)—5:13d

C. The LORD Comments on Ephraim's Action—5:13e-f

1. Assyria Can't Cure You!!—5:13e

2. Assyria Can't Care for Your Wound!!—5:13f

5. The Lord Unveils the C_____ of Ephraim's Sin—5:14-15

A. The LORD Will Be Lion-Like to Ephraim and Judah—5:14a-e

1. Like a Lion to Ephraim—5:14a
2. Like a Young Lion to Judah—5:14b
3. He Will Tear and Go—5:14c
4. He Will Take Away—5:14d
5. He Will NOT Be Resisted—5:14e

B. The LORD Will Wait for Ephraim's Admission of Guilt/Confession—5:15a-b

1. The LORD Will Go Back to His Place—5:15a
2. Ephraim Will Acknowledge His Sin—5:15b

C. Ephraim Will Return to the LORD—5:15c-d

1. Ephraim Will Seek the LORD's Face—5:15c
2. Ephraim Will Diligently Seek the LORD Because of Their Affliction—5:15d

→ The Holy Spirit through Hosea has so many lessons to teach us!