

Jeremiah 31:20 (NKJV) “Is Ephraim My dear son? Is he a pleasant child? For though I spoke against him, I earnestly remember him still; therefore My heart yearns for him; I will surely have mercy on him, says the LORD.”

Genesis 48:14 Then Israel stretched out his right hand and laid it on Ephraim’s head, who was the younger, and his left hand on Manasseh’s head, guiding his hands knowingly, for Manasseh was the firstborn.

2 Chronicles 5:1 Now the sons of Reuben the firstborn of Israel—he was indeed the firstborn, but because he defiled his father’s bed, his birthright was given to the sons of Joseph, the son of Israel, so that the genealogy is not listed according to the birthright; ² yet Judah prevailed over his brothers, and from him came a ruler, although the birthright was Joseph’s.

Psalms 78:67 Moreover He rejected the tent of Joseph, and did not choose the tribe of Ephraim, ⁶⁸ but chose the tribe of Judah, Mount Zion which He loved.

Isaiah 9:9 All the people will know—Ephraim and the inhabitant of Samaria—who say in pride and arrogance of heart: ¹⁰ “The bricks have fallen down, but we will rebuild with hewn stones; the sycamores are cut down, but we will replace them with cedars.” . . . ¹³ For the people do not turn to Him who strikes them, nor do they seek the LORD of hosts.

Isaiah 49:15 Can a woman forget her nursing child, and not have compassion on the son of her womb? Surely they may forget, yet I will not forget you. ¹⁶ See, I have inscribed you on the palms of My hands; your walls are continually before Me.

Jeremiah 2:2 Thus says the LORD: “I remember you, the kindness of your youth, The love of your betrothal, when you went after Me in the wilderness, in a land not sown. ³ Israel was holiness to the LORD, the firstfruits of His increase.”

Jeremiah 3:8 Then I saw that for all the causes for which backsliding Israel had committed adultery, I had put her away and given her a certificate of divorce.

Jeremiah 3:14 “Return, O backsliding children,” says the LORD; “for I am married to you. I will take you, one from a city and two from a family, and I will bring you to Zion.”

Jeremiah 7:15 And I will cast you out of My sight, as I have cast out all your brethren—the whole posterity of Ephraim.

Hosea 1:6 “Call her name Lo-Ruhamah [‘No Mercy’], for I will no longer have mercy on the house of Israel.”

Hosea 2:23 “I will have mercy on her who had not obtained mercy [Lo-Ruhamah, ‘No Mercy’]. Then I will say to those who were not My people [Lo-Ammi], ‘You are My people!’ And they shall say, ‘You are my God!’”

Hosea 4:17 Ephraim is joined to idols; let him alone.

Hosea 5:5 The pride of Israel testifies to his face; therefore Israel and Ephraim stumble in their iniquity; Judah also stumbles with them.

Hosea 5:11 Ephraim is oppressed and broken in judgment, because he willingly walked by human precept. ¹² Therefore I will be to Ephraim like a moth, and to the house of Judah like rottenness. ¹³ When Ephraim saw his sickness, and Judah saw his wound, then Ephraim went to Assyria and sent to King Jareb; yet he cannot cure you, nor heal you of your wound. ¹⁴ For I will be like a lion to Ephraim, and like a young lion to the house of Judah. I, even I, will tear them and go away; I will take them away, and no one shall rescue.

Hosea 6:4 Ephraim, what shall I do to you? O Judah, what shall I do to you? For your faithfulness is like a morning cloud, and like the early dew it goes away.

Hosea 7:8 Ephraim has mixed himself among the peoples; Ephraim is a cake unturned. ⁹ Aliens have devoured his strength, but he does not know it; yes, gray hairs are here and there on him, yet he does not know it. . . . ¹¹ Ephraim also is like a silly dove, without sense—they call to Egypt, they go to Assyria.

Hosea 9:11 As for Ephraim, their glory shall fly away like a bird—No birth, no pregnancy, and no conception! . . . ¹³ Just as I saw Ephraim like Tyre, planted in a pleasant place, so Ephraim will bring out his children to the murderer. . . . ¹⁶ Ephraim is stricken, their root is dried up; they shall bear no fruit. Yes, were they to bear children, I would kill the darlings of their womb.

Hosea 10:6 Ephraim shall receive shame, and Israel shall be ashamed of his own counsel. . . . ¹¹ Ephraim is a trained heifer that loves to thresh grain; but I harnessed her fair neck, I will make Ephraim pull a plow.

Hosea 11:1 When Israel was a child, I loved him, and out of Egypt I called My son. . . . ³ I taught Ephraim to walk, taking them by their arms; but they did not know that I healed them. . . . ⁸ How can I give you up, Ephraim? How can I hand you over, Israel? How can I make you like Admah? How can I set you like Zeboiim? My heart churns within Me; My sympathy is stirred. ⁹ I will not execute the fierceness of My anger; I will not again destroy Ephraim. For I am God, and not man, the Holy One in your midst; and I will not come with terror.

Hosea 12:1 Ephraim feeds on the wind, and pursues the east wind; he daily increases lies and desolation.

Hosea 12:8 And Ephraim said, “Surely I have become rich, I have found wealth for myself; in all my labors they shall find in me no iniquity that is sin.”

Hosea 13:1 When Ephraim spoke, trembling, he exalted himself in Israel; but when he offended through Baal worship, he died.

Hosea 14:8 Ephraim shall say, “What have I to do anymore with idols?” I have heard and observed him.

Amos 4:6 “Also I gave you cleanness of teeth in all your cities, and lack of bread in all your places; yet you have not returned to Me,” says the LORD. ⁷ “I also withheld rain from you, when there were still three months to the harvest. I made it rain on one city, I withheld rain from another city. One part was rained upon, and where it did not rain the part withered. ⁸ So two or three cities wandered to another city to drink water, but they were not satisfied; yet you have not returned to Me,” says the LORD. ⁹ “I blasted you with blight and mildew. When your gardens increased, your vineyards, your fig trees, and your olive trees, the locust devoured them; yet you have not returned to Me,” says the LORD. [vv. 10-12]

Luke 15:20 And he arose and came to his father. But when he was still a great way off, his father saw him and had compassion, and ran & fell on his neck & kissed him. ²¹ And the son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and in your sight, and am no longer worthy to be called your son.’ ²² But the father said to his servants, ‘Bring out the best robe and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand and sandals on his feet. ²³ And bring the fatted calf here and kill it, and let us eat and be merry; ²⁴ for this my son was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.’

John 17:23 I in them, & You in Me; that they may be made perfect in one, & that the world may know that You have sent Me, & have loved them as You have loved Me.