



Pamagat: Too Late for Israel and Judah

Hosea 5:1-15 “Hear ye this, O **priests**; and hearken, ye **house of Israel**; and give ye ear, O **house of the king**; for judgment is toward you, because ye have been a snare on **Mizpah**, and a net spread upon **Tabor**. 2 And the revolvers are profound to make slaughter, though I have been a rebuker of them all. 3 I know Ephraim, and Israel is not hid from me: for now, O Ephraim, thou committest whoredom, and **Israel is defiled**. 4 They **will not frame their doings to turn unto their God**: for the **spirit of whoredoms** is in the midst of them, and they have not known the LORD. 5 And the **pride of Israel** doth testify to his face: therefore shall Israel and Ephraim **fall in their iniquity**; Judah also shall fall with them. 6 They shall go with their flocks and with their herds to seek the LORD; **but they shall not find him; he hath withdrawn himself from them**. 7 They have dealt treacherously against the LORD: for they have begotten strange children: now shall a month devour them with their portions.

8 Blow ye the cornet in **Gibeah**, and the trumpet in **Ramah**: cry aloud at **Bethaven**, after thee, O **Benjamin**. 9 Ephraim shall be desolate in the **day of rebuke**: among the tribes of Israel have I made known that which shall surely be. 10 The princes of Judah were like them that remove the bound: therefore I will pour out my wrath upon them like water. 11 Ephraim is oppressed and broken in judgment, because he willingly walked after the commandment. 12 Therefore will I be unto Ephraim as a moth, and to the house of Judah as rottenness. 13 When Ephraim saw his sickness, and Judah saw his wound, then went Ephraim to the **Assyrian**, and sent to king Jareb: yet could he not heal you, nor cure you of your wound. 14 For I will be unto Ephraim as a lion, and as a young lion to the house of Judah: I, even I, will tear and go away; I will take away, and none shall rescue him. 15 I will go and return to my place, till they acknowledge their offence, and seek my face: in their affliction they will seek me early.

Panimula:

1. God’s judgment is severe.
 2. God’s grace is solid.
- I. Dineklara ng Dios ang hatol niya sa mga Judyo dahil sa kanilang kasamaan. (v.1 – The priests, the people, and the political leaders, esp. the king – Jeroboam II).
 - II. Wickedness was everywhere – Mizpah and Tabor (prominent sites of idolatry) (Mizpah of Gilead (East; Gen. 31:48) and Tabor of Galilee (West) [Silangan at Kanluran] a. departing from the LORD (ch.1:2); b. murder (1:4); c. adulteries and harlotry (2:2, 5); d. idolatries (2:13); e. social drinking and drunkenness (3:1); f. they rejected truth, mercy, and knowledge (4:1); g. swearing, lying, killing, and stealing (4:2). h. religious hypocrisy and failure (4:5).
 - III. v.3 – Israel is defiled – [nadungisan] – sin is defiling!
 - IV. v.4 – they will not frame their doings – hindi nila pinipigilan ang sarili nila na gumawa ng kasalanan. [frame – ikwadro]
 - V. “The spirit of whoredoms” (Satanic or demonic realm) – v.4b – Hollywood/Entertainment industries/Marvel Comics/DC/Rock Music.
 - VI. v.5 – Pride of Israel.
 - VII. Therefore Israel and Judah will fall.
 - VIII. v.6 – TOO LATE!
 - IX. v.7 – a short time (a month) shall devour them with their portions. TOTAL DESTRUCTION. (v.8 Gibeah (south) Ramah (north)).
 - X. v.9 “day of rebuke” ay anino lamang ng Day of the LORD.
 - XI. God is like a moth [gamugamo] (v. 12) – secret judgment and as a lion (v.14) - open judgment.
 - XII. Ang Assyrian king ay si King Jareb (meaning “contender” – kalaban).
 - XIII. v.15 – some did seek God’s face at the end of the 70 years captivity in Judah. (Ezra-Nehemiah)

Katapusan:

1. Israel was destroyed but even until now they have not returned to the LORD.
2. The Day of the LORD will guarantee their return to the LORD.