



### **Life Group Questions (Hosea 1:1)**

1. What stood out to you from Sunday's message? What questions came to mind?
2. Have you ever studied the prophetic books in the Bible? Why or why not? Have you ever spent time in the Minor Prophets? Why do you think many Christians avoid these books?
3. Read Deuteronomy 13:1-5 and Deuteronomy 18:9-22. Why do you think God puts such strict rules around the office of prophet?
4. Look up the following passages describing false prophets and their practices. Compare that with what God's prophets were called to:
  - Jeremiah 29:8-9
  - Ezekiel 13:1-16
  - Isaiah 28:7
  - Zephaniah 3:4
  - Jeremiah 23:11, 14-16
  - Micah 3:5, 11
  - Ezekiel 22:25
5. Read Hebrews 1:1-4 and Ephesians 2:19-20. The Bible is clear there are no longer prophets. Why do you think there is a movement to try and restore prophets and apostles to the church? What is the danger of that?
6. Do you think most Christians believe in the sufficiency of Scripture? Or is there an obsession to hear "fresh words" and "new revelations" from God?
7. The context of Hosea is prosperity and comfort coupled with idolatry and sin. Why is righteous living and holiness difficult in prosperous times?

*Spend some time in prayer as a group. If necessary, repent of seeking after fresh words and new revelations. Ask God to speak to you through his completed word.*