

Pacific Growth Group – Sermon Questions
Week of June 28th, 2026,
Sermon Series: Honest Faith
Theme: “Why Would A Loving God Judge Anyone?”
Primary Text(s): Hosea 11:1-11

1. **Read Hosea 11:1-11.**
2. The sermon began with the image of a courtroom, reminding us that every person will one day stand before God. *How did that illustration help you better understand God's role as Judge? What did you find most compelling or challenging about that picture?*
3. Hosea 11 begins with God reminding Israel of His love before confronting their sin. *Why do you think God begins there? What does this teach us about His character, and how should it shape the way we speak about God to others?*
4. The sermon defined an idol as anything that takes the place in our hearts that belongs to God alone. *What are some of the most common idols in Western culture today? Which ones do you find yourself most tempted to trust or pursue, and why are they so appealing?*
5. The sermon argued that God judges idolatry because He loves His people too much to let them place their hope in things that cannot ultimately satisfy. *How does that perspective change the way you think about God's commands? Is there an area of your life where God may be inviting you to surrender an idol?*
6. The sermon distinguished between idolatry and apostasy, describing apostasy as deliberately turning away from God or reshaping Him to fit our own preferences. *Why is that temptation so common today? How can we honestly wrestle with difficult passages of Scripture without creating a version of Christianity that simply reflects our own opinions?*
7. One of the central statements of the sermon was: “At the cross, God did not choose between justice and love. He fulfilled both.” *What does that statement mean? How does the cross answer the question, “Why would a loving God judge anyone?”*
8. Hosea ends with God promising to bring His people home. *What does this teach us about God's heart toward those who have wandered from Him? How does that encourage you as you think about your own life or someone you love?*
9. The story of Guillaume Bignon reminds us that no one is beyond God's reach and that honest questions can become a pathway to faith. *As you reflect on the entire message, what is one truth from Hosea 11 that you want to carry with you this week? How can this group pray for you as you seek to live it out?*