

Hosea 8 - Reaping the Whirlwind

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I. God's Proclamation

v 1 what : *the trumpet* - used as an alarm to warn the people, Jer 49:2
spiritual fact: God's word is given with authority; it warns of sins judgment.

who : **He shall come = the enemy** (v 3)

how : *as an eagle* - when judgment falls, it falls swiftly and finds its prey.

Historically, *the eagle* was the king of Babylon, Ezekiel 17:3 & 12.

Prophetically, it's represents the antichrist.

where: *the house of the Lord* - 1 Peter 4:17

why: *they transgressed ...and trespassed...my law*

II. Israel's Problems

v 2 the sin of hypocrisy ~ Matt 7:23

v 3 the sin of forsaking God's word - see v12

v 4 the sin of self-serving presumption

Historically Israel had a hodge-podge of kings from different tribes and half-breeds.

v 5 the sin of idolatry - Israel's first king (Jeroboam) built the golden calves, 2 Kings 12:28.
review - Deu 7:25-26 ; 11:16

Idolatry incurs God's anger and He will not acknowledge the idolators or their idols by name, Psalm 9:5 and Proverbs 10:7. God calls the idol **it**, v 6 & 10:5.

v 6 the vanity of idols - they *shall be broken in pieces*. Jer 10:15

v 7 *the wind* = the breath and the words of man, Job 6:26, 7:7 & Prov 25:14
the whirlwind = the judgment of God, Isa 66:15 & Jer 23:19

v 8 God prophesies their imminent dispersion & captivity. note - Lev 26:33

v 9 the sin of trusting human alliances

v 10 the *burden* of paying heathen for vain help. Ps 60:11 & Lam 4:17

Israel's double-shame = Ezekiel 16:33

v 11 the insult of making *many altars to sin*

spir: Today's Roman Catholic church is like *Ephraim*.

v 12 God's faithfulness (Rev 21:5 & 22:6) versus man's faithlessness (Deu 32:20)

v 13 Sacrifices are insufficient when made with the wrong heart, i.e. *their iniquity*
1 Sam 15:22 Psalm 51:16-17 Hosea 6:6

v 14 *Israel hath forgotten his Maker* ~ Romans 1:21-23

Israel ... buildeth temples - Jeremiah 7:4

spiritual: Today's modern church writeth 'bibles'