Book of Osee

Chapter 5

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God's threats against the priests, the people, and princes of Israel, for their idolatry.

- 5:1. Hear ye this, O priests, and hearken, O ye house of Israel, and give ear, O house of the king: for there is a judgment against you, because you have been a snare to them whom you should have watched over and a net spread upon Thabor.
- 5:2. And you have turned aside victims into the depth and I am the teacher of them all.
- 5:3. I know Ephraim, and Israel is not hid from me for now Ephraim hath committed fornication, Israel is defiled.
- 5:4. They will not set their thoughts to return to their God: for the spirit of fornication is in the midst of them, and they have not known the Lord.
- 5:5. And the pride of Israel shall answer in his face: and Israel, and Ephraim shall fall in their iniquity, Juda also shall fall with them.

- 5:6. With their flocks and with their herds, they shall go to seek the Lord, and shall not find him: he is withdrawn from them.
- 5:7. They have transgressed against the Lord: for they have begotten children that are strangers: now shall a month devour them with their portions.
- 5:8. Blow ye the cornet in Gabaa, the trumpet in Rama: howl ye in Bethaven, behind thy back, O Benjamin.
- 5:9. Ephraim shall be in desolation in the day of rebuke: among the tribes of Israel I have shewn that which shall surely be.
- 5:10. The princes of Juda are become as they that take up the bound: I will pour out my wrath upon them like water.
- 5:11. Ephraim is under oppression, and broken in judgment: because he began to go after filthiness.
- 5:12. And I will be like a moth to Ephraim: and like rottenness to the house of Juda.



- 5:13. And Ephraim saw his sickness, and Juda his band: and Ephraim went to the Assyrian, and sent to the avenging king: and he shall not be able to heal you, neither shall he be able to take off the band from you.
- 5:14. For I will be like a lioness to Ephraim, and like a lion's whelp to the house of Juda: I, I will catch, and go: I will take away, and there is none that can rescue.
- 5:15. I will go and return to my place: until you are consumed, and seek my face.