

re:FORMING #5: "We Have the Answer"

November 11 & 12, 2023 Hosea 11:1-9

Opener:

Have you ever had the opportunity to witness to someone from the Jewish faith or the Muslim religion? If so, how did it feel? If not, how do you think you would go about it?

Go Deeper:

- 1. What does the name "Hosea" mean in Hebrew?
- 2. Northern Kingdom, Kingdom of Israel. What year was it taken captive by the Assyrians?
- 3. Southern Kingdom, Kingdom of Judah. What year was it taken captive by the Babylonians?
- 4. After how many years in captivity in Babylon did a remnant return to Jerusalem?
- 5. In what year and by whom was Jerusalem and the Temple destroyed?
- 6. What role(s) does Egypt play in the life of the children of Jacob (Israel) and the birth of Jesus?
- 7. "We Have the Answer." What are some of the questions?

Go Deeper:



- 8. Church attendance? Declining or growing?
- 9. Spiritual beings: Jesus is the answer. The church works through 3 things. What are they?
- 10. Who has the answer to suffering in this world? What is the answer?
- 11. It is nice to be alone once in awhile. What are some benefits to being together with a group? Especially a group of fellow believers?
- 12. Is there a balance between compassion and law enforcement? What is it?
- 13. Explain "spiritual" and "religious". Is there a difference? If so, what is it?
- 14. What's the difference between "preaching about the Gospel" and "preaching the Gospel"?
- 15. Why do you think that it seems so many people "hate" Israel today?



GOD TIME:

Daily Bible Readings (November 12-18)

Sunday: Hosea 11:1-9
Monday: 2 Kings 2:1-12
Tuesday: 2 Kings 2:13-22
Wednesday: 2 Kings 4:1-7
Thursday: 2 Kings 5:1-14
Friday: 2 Kings 5:15-19
Saturday: 2 Kings 9:1-10

*The readings selected come from the Narrative Lectionary calendar our sermon series is based on.

