

Pursued Series Part 1 Questions

Announcements

1. Group sign-ups for the fall semester will be set up the next two weeks in the Gathering Area. Now is a great time to invite people in. Please talk to people on Sundays about your group and how it's going.

Conversation Starter

1. More. We make so many decisions based on our desire for more. What thing do you find that you want more of that really isn't important?

Digging Deeper

1. Read Hosea 1:2-3. God commanded Hosea to take a prostitute as his wife so that Hosea could understand how the people of God treat God. God's command for Hosea set him up for failure. How do we walk with God when walking with God brings earthly heartache?
2. What do we do with God saying that His people have committed adultery against him? The people would practice worship of fertility gods so that their earthly wealth would grow. When we sacrifice our personal godliness so that we can have material success, does it equal spiritual adultery?
3. Read Hosea 1:6. Why does God seem to be more concerned with the sins of his own people than the sins of the others that are practicing these sins?
4. Read Hosea 1:8-9. The child that is born is named "Not My People." God is saying that the people he has claimed as his own are no longer his people. Have you ever felt like God was finished with you?
5. Read Hosea 1:10-11. God's name for these people becomes "children of the Living God." What relationship in your life did you think would never be healed only to now be healed? How does that point toward God's reconciliation with us?

Gender Breakout

1. "Stop saying 'they' and start saying 'me.'" What problem in this world do you blame on everyone else? How do you see yourself in that problem and let God work with you in it?