

# Hosea 8 and 9

God's Imminent Judgment  
on Israel

# Imminent Judgment



# REASONS FOR ISRAEL'S IMMINENT CAPTIVITY

They broke their covenant  
with God and defied His Law

# DEFINITION OF A COVENANT

A covenant is a mutual agreement between two or more parties to do or refrain from doing certain acts with God as witness and guarantor

## TO “CUT A COVENANT”

The practice used in the ancient near east where two people made a covenant by sacrificing animals, cutting them in half, and then walking between the split animals.

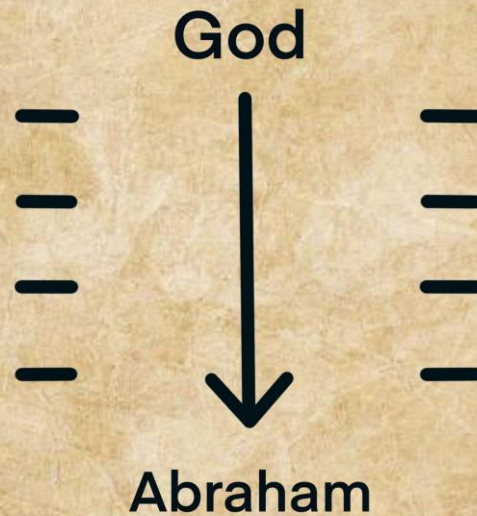
# UNCONDITIONAL AND CONDITIONAL COVENANTS

- Unconditional Covenant  
Abrahamic Covenant
- Conditional Covenant  
Mosaic Covenant

# Abrahamic Covenant

## Unconditional Covenant

Example:  
Abrahamic Covenant



# Mosaic Covenant

## Conditional Covenant

Example:  
Mosaic Covenant





# REASONS FOR ISRAEL'S IMMINENT CAPTIVITY

- Israel's hypocritical claim to know God (vs. 2-3)
- They made kings without consulting God (v. 4a)
- They built and worshiped idols (vs. 4-6)

**LEGEND**

- City
- ★ Capital city
- City (uncertain location)
- ▲ Mountain peak
- Israel
- Judah
- International roads
- Local roads



Political capital of Israel from Omri onward

Jeroboam built a sanctuary

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MEDITERRANEAN SEA

ISRAEL

JUDAH

MOAB

Negeb

PHILISTIA

GESHUR

Jericho

Samarita

Shiloh

Bethel

Jerusalem

Bethlehem

Hebron

Maon

Arad

Beersheba

Gezer

Ekron

Azekah

Beth-zur

Lachish

Mareshah

Gaza

Ashdod

Ashkelon

Ekron

Gezer

Ashdod

Ashkelon

Lower Beth-horon

Upper Beth-horon

Jericho

Gebe

Gilbeah

Ramah

Aljalon

Ekron

Gezer

Ashdod

Ashkelon

Gaza

Lower Beth-horon

Upper Beth-horon

Jericho

Gebe

Gilbeah

Ramah

Aljalon

Ekron

Gezer

Ashdod

Ashkelon

Gaza

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# REASONS FOR ISRAEL'S IMMINENT CAPTIVITY

- They sought help from foreign nations (vs. 9-10)
- They saw God's Law as a "strange thing" (v. 12)
- They worshipped God hypocritically (vs. 11, 13)
- Israel and even Judah had forgotten God (v. 14)

# THE CONSEQUENCES OF REJECTING GOD

- There will be no more joy (vs. 1-2)
- They will forfeit the Promised Land and suffer the hardships of exile (vs. 3-6)
- They considered the Lord's prophets to be fools (vs. 7-8)

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- They continued the downward trend of depravity (vs. 9-10)
- They would have increased infertility and infant death (vs. 11-14, 16b)

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- They will be separated from God (v. 17)
- Their sins will be remembered (vs. 9; 8:13; 7:2)

# LESSONS

- Do not be deceived into thinking that there are many roads to God (John 14:6)
- There is only one God (1 Tim. 2:5)

# LESSONS

- There is only one way to know Him in a personal way
  - Believe that Jesus shed His blood for your sin (1 Peter 1:18-19).
  - Receive this truth by faith (John 1:12).