

# Hosea 12-14

## Hosea 12-14 Overview

- I. Israel's Distant Past (12)
- II. Israel's Recent Past (13)
- III. Israel's Future (14)

### “Ephraim feeds on wind” (12:1)

- Baal (meaning *Lord* or *Master*) is the same as Yahweh.
- My prosperity shows that I'm doing right. God is blessing me!
- Baal is the source of my blessings.
- I'm not a sinner.
- I must seek help from foreign nations (Assyria and Egypt).

### Esau and Jacob (Gen. 25:25-26)

- *Esau* reflects a play on the word for “hairy.”
- *Edom*—Esau's other name—means “red.”
- *Jacob*—“at the heel”—came to mean “supplanter.”

## Jacob—Major Life Events

- Gen. 27:6-46—Jacob steals the blessing of the firstborn and leaves for the home of Laban, his uncle.
- Gen. 28:10-22—Jacob's dream of the stairway to heaven; God's covenant with Abraham & Isaac extended to Jacob (blessings of land, innumerable descendants, a Descendant Who would bless all nations of the earth).



- Gen. 28:18-22—Jacob names the place, *Bethel (house of God)*. He vows to serve God.



## Jacob—Major Life Events

- Gen. 31 & 32—Twenty years later, Jacob leaves Laban's household and starts on his journey home with his wives, children, and herds.
- Gen. 32:24-30—Jacob wrestles with God, gets his name changed to *Israel (he who strives with God)*, & names the place *Peniel (face of God)*.

## Idols of Silver & Gold, the Work of Men's Hands



## Fear the Lord (Hosea 13:7-8)

- Prov. 9:10—The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom, And the knowledge of the Holy One is understanding.



## Hosea 14:9

- Whoever is wise, let him understand these things; Whoever is discerning, let him know them. For the ways of the LORD are right, And the righteous will walk in them, But transgressors will stumble in them.

- **Hebrews 10:28** Anyone who has set aside the Law of Moses dies without mercy on the testimony of two or three witnesses.
- **29** How much severer punishment do you think he will deserve who has trampled under foot the Son of God, and has regarded as unclean the blood of the covenant by which he was sanctified, and has insulted the Spirit of grace?