

# How to Escape the Coming Wrath of God

## Hosea 5-6

### Introduction:

1. Hosea was sent to Israel with a message – “Judgment is coming. You’d better \_\_\_\_\_!”
2. How could Israel escape the wrath of God that was prophesied through Hosea?
3. This is the subject of tonight’s lesson, and the principles will apply to any people of any age.

### First, recognize your great \_\_\_\_\_.

1. Israel had offended God and was in deep trouble with God, yet there appears to be \_\_\_\_\_ awareness of the dire situation they were in.
2. Did they somehow think that God did not see their wickedness? 5:3
3. Did they somehow think that religious acts would atone for their sin? 5:6, 6:6
4. Religious acts cannot appease the \_\_\_\_\_ of a holy God. They cannot deal with the \_\_\_\_\_ issue that faces us all.
  - *“Therefore by the deeds of the law there shall no flesh be justified in his sight: for by the law is the knowledge of sin.” Romans 3:20*
  - *“Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost.” Titus 3:5*

### Second, heed God’s \_\_\_\_\_.

1. God did not try to \_\_\_\_\_ the approaching day of judgment (day of rebuke.) God said, “I’ve made it known.” 5:8-12, 14
2. In the same way, God has warned those living today of coming judgment.
  - The apostle Paul warns of the \_\_\_\_\_ of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of God. Romans 2:5-6
  - God has warned us of a day of \_\_\_\_\_ judgment of all men who refused the Lord. Revelation 20:12-15

### Third, turn in \_\_\_\_\_ to the Judge.

1. In the midst of all the judgment, God simply wanted Israel to \_\_\_\_\_ and turn to Him. The hewing of the prophets and the affliction God sent was meant to cause them to seek Him. 5:15
2. Hosea prophesies of a future day when Israel will finally \_\_\_\_\_ the Lord (5:15). In 6:1-3 God gives us a glimpse of this future day and the voice of the restored remnant of Israel.
3. In 5:15 God goes away to His own place, and in 6:3 God comes back to them and brings the times of refreshing.
4. What was the difference? What came in between these two events? The \_\_\_\_\_ of Israel. cf. Acts 3:19

### Conclusion:

1. Did you know that anyone today can be delivered from the judgment of God by simply turning in \_\_\_\_\_ to Jesus Christ? This was the message Paul preached everywhere.
  - *“Testifying both to the Jews, and also to the Greeks, repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ.” Acts 20:21*
2. The moment you do this, God does for you **individually** what He will do for Israel **nationally** in the future. He breathes His very life in you, and you become a member of His family forever!
  - *“And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of his Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father.  
Wherefore thou art no more a servant, but a son; and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ.” Galatians 4:6-7*