



# Welcome to Rehoboth New Life Center

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# Commanded Love



Love One Another

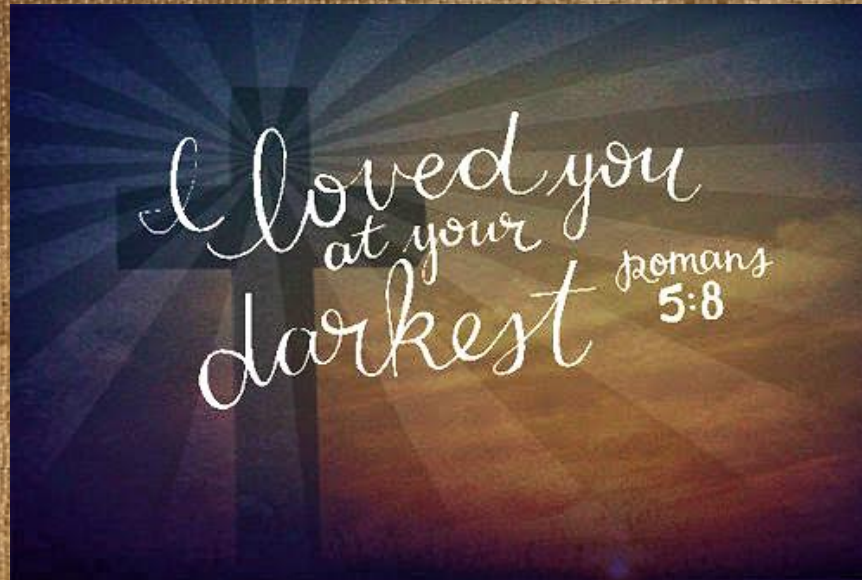
John 13:34 A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another.35 By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another.



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## PART 2



Romans 5:8 But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.



# Does your Love Commend itself ?

## The KJV New Testament Greek Lexicon

Strong's Number: 4921 **“Commendeth”**

### Original Word

συνίστημι

### Word Origin

from (4862) and (2476)  
(including its collat. forms)


### Transliterated Word

Sunistao

### TDNT Entry

7:896,1120

### Phonetic Spelling

soon-is-tah'-o 

### Parts of Speech

Verb

### Definition

1. to place together, to set in the same place, to bring or band together
  - a. to stand with (or near)
2. to set one with another
  - a. by way of presenting or introducing him
  - b. to comprehend
3. to put together by way of composition or combination, to teach by combining and comparing
  - a. to show, prove, establish, exhibit
4. to put together, unite parts into one whole
  - a. to be composed of, consist

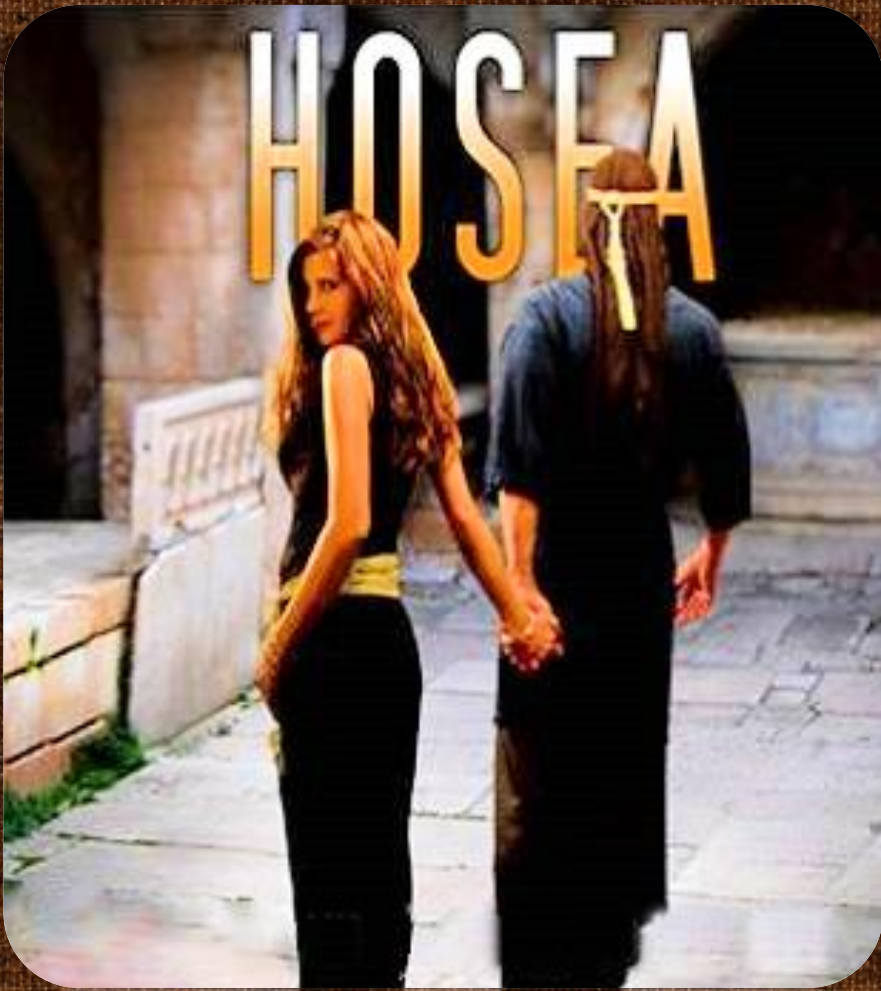
King James Word Usage - Total: 16

- Romans 5:6 ¶For when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly.
- 7 For scarcely for a righteous man will one die: yet peradventure for a good man some would even dare to die.
- 8 **But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.**
- 9 Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him.
- 10 For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life.
- 11 And not only so, but we also joy in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have now received the atonement.





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- 1 The LORD gave this message to Hosea son of Beerī during the years when Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah were kings of Judah, and Jeroboam son of Jehoash was king of Israel.
- 2 When the LORD first began speaking to Israel through Hosea, he said to him, “Go and marry a prostitute, so that some of her children will be conceived in prostitution.





# Commanded Love: Hosea & Gomer



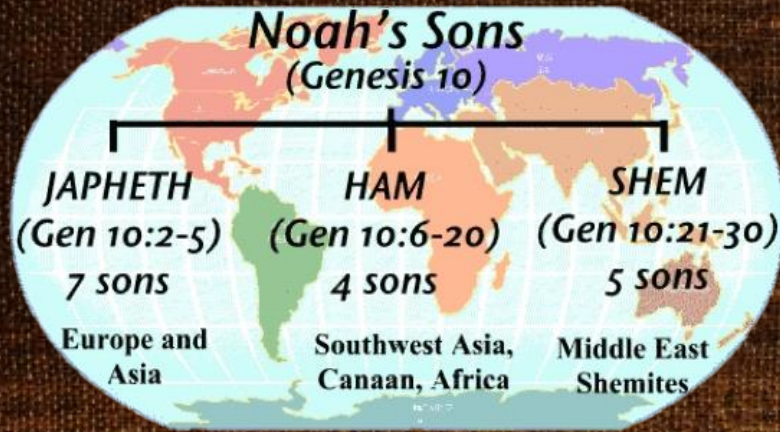
- **3** So Hosea married Gomer, the daughter of Diblaim, and she became pregnant and gave Hosea a son.
- **4** And the LORD said, “Name the child Jezreel, for I am about to punish King Jehu’s dynasty to avenge the murders he committed at Jezreel. In fact, I will bring an end to Israel’s independence.
- **5** I will break its military power in the Jezreel Valley.”
- **6** Soon Gomer became pregnant again and gave birth to a daughter. And the LORD said to Hosea, “Name your daughter **Lo-ruhamah**—‘**Not loved**’—for I will no longer show love to the people of Israel or forgive them.
- **7** But I will show love to the people of Judah. I will free them from their enemies—not with weapons and armies or horses and charioteers, but by my power as the LORD their God.”
- **8** After Gomer had weaned Lo-ruhamah, she again became pregnant and gave birth to a second son.
- **9** And the LORD said, “Name him **Lo-ammi**—‘**Not my people**’—for Israel is not my people, and I am not their God.





# Hosea and Gomer: God and Israel

## The Love Story



- Genesis 10:1 ¶ Now these are the generations of the sons of Noah, Shem, Ham, and Japheth: and unto them were sons born after the flood. 2 The sons of Japheth; Gomer, and Magog, and Madai, and Javan, and Tubal, and Meshech, and Tiras. 3 And the sons of Gomer; Ashkenaz, and Riphath, and Togarmah. 4 And the sons of Javan; Elishah, and Tarshish, Kittim, and Dodanim. 5 By these were the isles of the Gentiles divided in their lands; every one after his tongue, after their families, in their nations.





# Rejection of the Nations



Genesis 11:8 So the LORD scattered them abroad from thence upon the face of all the earth: and they left off to build the city.

9 Therefore is the name of it called Babel; because the LORD did there confound the language of all the earth: and from thence did the LORD scatter them abroad upon the face of all the earth.

- Genesis 11:1 ¶And the whole earth was of one language, and of one speech.
- 2 And it came to pass, as they journeyed from the east, that they found a plain in the land of Shinar; and they dwelt there.
- 3 And they said one to another, Go to, let us make brick, and burn them thoroughly. And they had brick for stone, and slime had they for mortar.
- 4 And they said, Go to, let us build us a city and a tower, whose top may reach unto heaven; and let us make us a name, lest we be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth.





# God “Gives them up”



- Psalms 82:1 **God(Elohim)** standeth in the congregation of the **mighty (EL)**; he judgeth **among the gods**.
- 2 How long will ye judge unjustly, and accept the persons of the wicked? Selah.
- 3 Defend the poor and fatherless: do justice to the afflicted and needy.
- 4 Deliver the poor and needy: rid them out of the hand of the wicked.
- 5 They know not, neither will they understand; they walk on in darkness: all the foundations of the earth are out of course.
- 6 ¶I have said, **Ye are gods; and all of you are children of the most High**.
- 7 But ye shall die like men, and fall like one of the princes.
- 8 Arise, O God, judge the earth: for thou shalt inherit all nations.





# God Betroths Israel



Deuteronomy 7: 6-8

“For you are a holy people to the LORD your God, the LORD your God has chosen you to be a people for His own possession out of all the peoples who are on the face of the earth. ”The LORD did not set His love on you nor choose you because you were more in number than any of the peoples, for you were the fewest of all peoples, but because the LORD loved you and kept the oath which He swore to your forefathers, the LORD brought you out by a mighty hand and redeemed you from the house of slavery, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt.

- Deuteronomy 32:8 When the most High divided to the nations their inheritance, when he separated the sons of Adam, he set the bounds of the people according to the number of the children of Israel.
- 9 For the LORD'S portion is his people; Jacob is the lot of his inheritance. (KJV)
- 8 When the Most High divided the nations, when he separated the sons of Adam, he set the bounds of the nations according to the number of the angels of God.
- 9 And his people Jacob became the portion of the Lord, Israel was the line of his inheritance. (Septuagint)





# Israel betrays the relationship



- Jeremiah 2:23-5:19
- New Living Translation (NLT)
- **Israel, an Unfaithful Wife**
- 23 “You say, ‘That’s not true! I haven’t worshiped the images of Baal! But how can you say that? Go and look in any valley in the land! Face the awful sins you have done. You are like a restless female camel desperately searching for a mate.
- 24 You are like a wild donkey, sniffing the wind at mating time. Who can restrain her lust? Those who desire her don’t need to search, for she goes running to them!
- 25 When will you stop running? When will you stop panting after other gods? But you say, ‘Save your breath. **I’m in love with these foreign gods, and I can’t stop loving them now!**’





# Gomer Betrays Hosea



At some point, though the text does not specify when or under what circumstances, Gomer leaves Hosea for another lover and enters into an adulterous relationship. We can only imagine Hosea's pain and anger at this rejection





# Her Lovers Mistreat Her

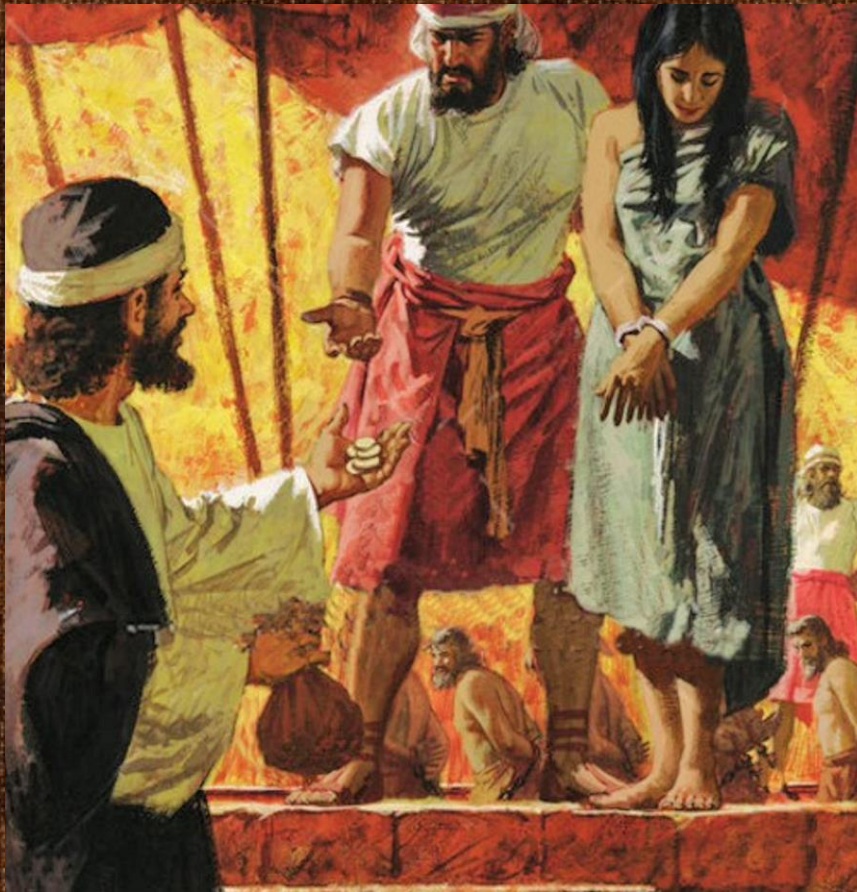
- She is abused, and bought and sold







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- Hosea 3:1 ¶Then said the LORD unto me, Go yet, love a woman beloved of her friend, yet an adulteress, according to the love of the LORD toward the children of Israel, who look to other gods, and love flagons of wine.
- 2 So I bought her to me for fifteen pieces of silver, and for an homer of barley, and an half homer of barley:





# Hosea's Love

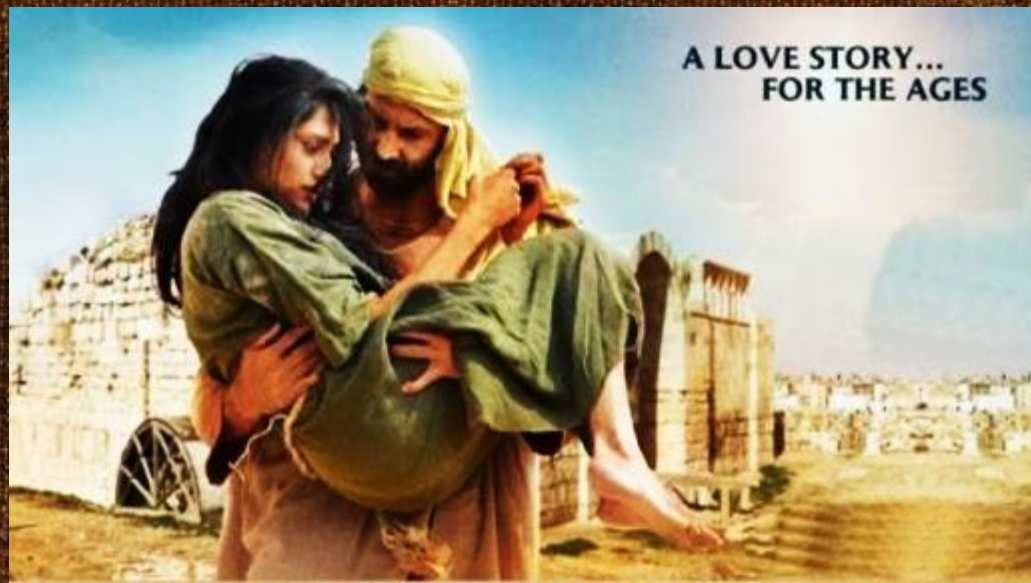


- Hosea 3:2 So I bought her to me for fifteen pieces of silver, and for an homer of barley, and an half homer of barley:
- 3 And I said unto her, Thou shalt abide for me many days; thou shalt not play the harlot, and thou shalt not be for another man: so will I also be for thee.





# Gods Love



- Hosea 3:4 For the children of Israel shall abide many days without a king, and without a prince, and without a sacrifice, and without an image, and without an ephod, and without teraphim:
- 5 Afterward shall the children of Israel return, and seek the LORD their God, and David their king; and shall fear the LORD and his goodness in the latter days.

- Hosea 6:1 ¶Come, and let us return unto the LORD: for he hath torn, and he will heal us; he hath smitten, and he will bind us up.
- 2 After two days will he revive us: in the third day he will raise us up, and we shall live in his sight.