

HOSEA WEEK TWO STUDY QUESTIONS

Love Triangles

- 1. Share about a time when you found it extremely hard to make a decision between two options. How did you make a choice in the end?
- 2. We sometimes think of idolatry as replacing God with something else. But the Bible more often speaks of idolatry as trying to juggle two masters (read 1 Kings 18:21; Matthew 6:24; Revelation 3.15-16). In your experience, what happens to you when you divide your loyalty between more than one God/god?
- 3. We tend to think of jealousy as a negative, even sinful, emotion. But Israel's prophets often describe God as jealous (e.g. Exodus 34.14; 16x in the OT). How do you understand God's jealousy?
- 4. Read Hos 2.16-20. According to these verses, what are God's hopes for Israel?
- 5. What do you think are the three main idols of Christians in today's church? Do you struggle with any of these?
- 6. Idolatry is a big problem (and is called adultery in the Bible) because it steals our devotion away from Jesus. What are some of the practical ways you can devote yourself more fully (and solely) to Jesus in the coming week?