

and yet since the destruction of Jerusalem in AD 70 , the Jews have continued but without a sacrifice. It is illogical, it is inconsistent, ~~but the~~ The Bible nowhere says this can only be made in Jerusalem , but they have continued through these centuries giving lip service to the O.T., claiming they can look forward to a happy life in the future on account ~~on~~ of the O.T., and the O.T. says without shedding of blood there is no remission of sins, and yet ~~h~~ they have no sacrifice. And God used this to lead many Jews to realize that the sacrifice of animals are done away with , but they all pointed to the sacrifice of Christ. And that has occurred , ~~one-~~ once for all He has died for our sin, and so the sacrifice have no further point and ~~had~~ have done away with, they don't realize why. But the fact is they continue ~~without~~ not only without a king and a prince, but without a sacrifice all these years, and then they continue without an image, without a n ephod , without teraphim. They continue without the symbols of idolatry, without an image or an ephod, without teraphim, without idolatry. The Jews in the time of Hosea were turning aside after idols . They had done it repeatedly, they apostacized , they turned after idols, but ever since the end of the exile they have been characterized by the fact that there is one true God who is a ~~n~~ spiritual being and their is opposition to idolatry . How wonderful that God permitted Hosea to see these facts of the future. I don't think Hosea fully understand them, but he got a glimpse of them, he understand them to some extent and God used him to not only show the extent of the character of God through Hosea's terrible experience , through his ~~yearing-~~ yearning for this woman to whom he remained true, regardless of her iniquities, but also to give a the ~~the~~ picture of how God was going to deal with Israel in the ~~furt-~~ future. Now God has not raised up the U.S. in the same way he has raised up Israel. Israel had a very special ~~pal~~ place in his economy. We don't know just what the place of the U.S. is but we do ~~n~~ know that the U.S. has a tremendous responsibility, and we have a responsibility today to bring to our people the knowledge of God's character and the fact that we have rejected knowledge and