



November 12, 2023, Hosea

Hosea 11:1-9

Use this resource at home to guide your household's daily devotions.



Pray: Light a candle and open your devotion time with a prayer.

Mothering God, you love us in spite of ourselves, and pick us up when our poor choices get us into trouble. Teach us to follow in your way, that we might grow and flourish in all we do. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.



Read: Read the key verse from Sunday's reading.

When Israel was a child, I loved him, and out of Egypt I called my son.
Hosea 1:1



Reflect: Reflect on the scripture summary.

Leading up to this passage in Hosea, God grieves the mistakes, shortfalls and transgressions God has seen in God's people. Here, God shifts the focus from what they have done to what *God* will do—namely, to keep loving God's people in and through everything.



Connect: Connect in conversation with others in your household.

- What was a high point of your day? What was a low point?
- Think of a parental figure you hold in high regard. What makes them a good parent? What qualities should every parent share?
- How did your relationship with your parents or guardians shape how you see God? How might you feel if your relationship with parents or guardians was different?
- For the littles: Who takes the best care of you? God is like a loving caregiver.



Bless: Close your devotion with a blessing.

God's love surrounds you as loving as a parent caring for their beloved child. Amen.



Do: By acting on what we learn, we make God's word come alive. Do the following activity this week.

Many children are without caring parents. Find a local orphanage or foster care facility and donate supplies—or better yet, your time.

Daily Readings	Narrative Lectionary Readings
Sunday	Hosea 11:1-9
Monday	2 Kings 2:1-12
Tuesday	2 Kings 2:13-22
Wednesday	2 Kings 4:1-7
Thursday	2 Kings 5:1-14
Friday	2 Kings 5:15-19
Saturday	2 Kings 9:1-10; (1 Kings 19:16)
Sunday	Isaiah 5:1-7; 11:1-5