Prayer:
Heavenly Father, what amazing love You have for Your people Israel and for Your Church, which is the body of Christ. Thank You for the life of Hosea and the picture it paints of the never-failing love and mercy You show towards Your people Israel and all who believe on Your name. Let me never forget how You rescued me from the slave-market of sin and I rejoice to know Your plan of redemption will one day be completed - when Jesus returns as Israel's Messiah; the Church will rule and reign with Him in His kingdom - and Christ Jesus will be crowned as King of kings and Lord of lords. Help me show Your love and compassion to all those who cross my path, so they may know that Jesus is Lord - and it is in His name I pray, AMEN.

Source: Verse of the Day for Hosea 1:6

Isaiah 42:1-9 First Song of the Servant
“Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen one in whom I delight; I will put my Spirit on him, and he will bring justice to the nations. He will not shout or cry out or raise his voice in the streets.
ALL: “I, the LORD, have called you in righteousness; I will take hold of your hand.

A bruised reed he will not break, and a smoldering wick he will not snuff out. In faithfulness he will bring forth justice; he will not falter or be discouraged till he establishes justice on earth. In his teaching the islands will put their hope.”
ALL: “I, the LORD, have called you in righteousness; I will take hold of your hand.

This is what God the LORD says—the Creator of the heavens, who stretches them out, who spreads out the earth with all that springs from it, who gives breath to its people, and life to those who walk on it: “I, the LORD, have called you in righteousness; I will take hold of your hand.
ALL: “I, the LORD, have called you in righteousness; I will take hold of your hand.

I will keep you and will make you to be a covenant for the people and a light for the Gentiles, to open eyes that are blind, to free captives from prison and to release from the dungeon those who sit in darkness.
ALL: “I, the LORD, have called you in righteousness; I will take hold of your hand.

“I am the LORD; that is my name! I will not yield my glory to another or my praise to idols. See, the former things have taken place, and new things I declare; before they spring into being, I announce them to you.”
ALL: “I, the LORD, have called you in righteousness; I will take hold of your hand.


PLEASE JOIN US IN SONG:
Song: Hosea

1. Come back to me with all your heart. Don’t let fear keep us apart.
   Trees do bend, though straight and tall; so, must we to others’ call.
   *Long have I waited for your coming home to me and living deeply our new life.

2. The wilderness will lead you to your heart where I will speak . Integrity and justice with tenderness you shall know. Long have I waited for your coming home to me and living deeply our new life.

3. You shall sleep secure with peace; faithfulness will be your joy. Long have I waited for your coming home to me and living deeply our new life.

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