

# A HARD ROAD

Faithfulness in all areas of life *from the book of Hosea*

## Week 1

### Key Scripture

Hosea 1:1-5

### Open

1. Kyle starts off his talk with the story of someone who called it quits on his marriage about one year into it. Have you ever had a relationship, job or spouse just tell you it's over? What was that like?
2. Before we get too far down the road of the idea of faithfulness, how would you explain faithfulness to someone in just one sentence of your own words?
3. Why is faithfulness hard?

### Dig

1. Read Hosea 1:1-5 as a group. Why do you think that God asks Hosea to go and marry a woman who is 'inclined to infidelity?' What is God attempting to get Hosea to understand?
2. Why is God comparing Israel to His wife?
3. Is it fair for God to expect us to learn faithfulness to Him when we are sinful creatures? How does Jesus factor into all of this?

### Take Further

1. Have you ever looked at your disobedience to God like you were 'inclined to infidelity?' How does that make you feel?
2. Why do you think we stray from God's commands? Is it boredom? Do we think we know better? Do we just not care? What is it?
3. How can we cure this ongoing infidelity with God? Or can we?

### Prayer

Take time to pray for the areas that we are disobedient with God.