

Series: The Not So Perfect Christmas

Theme: The Not So Perfect Family

Scripture: Hosea 3:1-3

Date: December 6, 2009

- † *We all have these idealized images of what we think the perfect family ought to look like and be like.*
- *But in reality, the “_____” is more often the exception rather than the rule.*
- † *Setting up the passage:*
- *Hosea’s family consisted of himself, his wife, Gomar, and three children. The _____ family in some people’s minds.*
 - *That is till you start to dig a little deeper!*
 - *In reality they were the epitome of the “_____ family”!*
- † *Hosea 3:1- The LORD said to me, "Go, show your _____ to your wife again, though she is loved by another and is an adulteress. Love her as the LORD loves the Israelites, though they turn to other gods and love the sacred raisin cakes."*
- *In other words, no matter how _____ and dysfunctional the family got, God was not going to give up on them...*
 - *Nor will he give up on us!*
 - *The question is, will _____ give up on Him?!*