



Hosea Chapter 4

Cause

1 Hear the word of the LORD, ye children of **Israel**: for the LORD hath a controversy with the inhabitants of the land, because there is no truth, nor mercy, nor knowledge of God in the land.

Effect

2 By swearing, and lying, and killing, and stealing, and committing adultery, they break out, and blood toucheth blood.

Swearing  
Lying  
Killing  
Stealing

worse than the world

Kings killing  
Kings one after  
another

Leviticus 26

- Lev 18:25
- Numbers 35:33-34  
Blood defileth the land
- Ezekiel 36:18

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נִצַּח  
**pārats**  
paw-rats'

A primitive root; to break out (in many applications, direct and indirect, literally and figuratively): - X abroad, (make a) breach, break away, down, -er, forth, in, up), burst out come (spread) abroad, compel, disperse, grow, increase, open, press, scatter urge.

Scattering

Violence Begets Violence  
family against family

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נָגַח  
**nāga'**  
~~naw-gah'~~

A primitive root; properly to touch, that is, lay the hand upon (for any purpose; euphemistically, to lie with a woman); by implication to reach (figuratively to arrive, acquire); violently, to strike (punish, defeat, destroy, etc.): - beat, (X be able to) bring (down), cast, come (nigh), draw near (nigh), get up, happen, join, near, plague, reach (up), smite, strike, touch.