

8. When you see someone who has hurt you or someone else, do you tend to see them as victims or villains? How does compassion relate to the necessity of consequences in such situations?

9. Pray for people who need to experience repentance, but who seem unlikely to do so, that God might bring them to repentance. If you see the need for repentance in your life or relationships, or our community, confess that.

PAUSE, PONDER & PRAY

“When God saw what they did and how they turned from their evil ways, he relented and did not bring on them the destruction he had threatened”

JONAH 3:10

NOTES & QUOTES

DID YOU MISS SUNDAY’S SERVICE?

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PURSUIT

A STUDY IN THE BOOK OF JONAH



CONNECT (BUILD RELATIONSHIPS)

1. Have you ever been given a second chance at something that you are grateful for? Explain.
2. How do you feel about the idea of God taking sides? Is it okay to pray for a certain outcome in a sporting event or political election?
3. Do you ever look at people in terms of “good guys and bad guys” with respect to how God relates to them? Explain.

THRIVE (EXPLORE BIBLICAL TRUTH)

4. Read Jonah 3:1-3, then discuss the following:
 - a. Why do you think that Jonah immediately obeys God in this instance, in contrast with chapter 1?
 - b. Why did God insist on sending Jonah, when he could have chosen anyone, in spite of Jonah’s rebellion?
 - c. Why might Jonah have needed three days to go through the city of Nineveh?

5. Read Jonah 3:4-5, then discuss the following:
 - a. What was the content of Jonah’s message to Nineveh? How do you feel about that message?
 - b. How do you think you would respond if some foreign prophet came to your town, preaching this kind of message? How might this message be considered a loving message?
6. Read Jonah 3:6-10, then discuss the following:
 - a. In what way does this vile king model good leadership, in this instance?
 - b. How do you feel about God’s response to their repentance, in verse 10? Does it strike you as fair, unfair, encouraging, infuriating, or some other descriptor?
 - c. In what way does Jonah’s unappealing message turn out to be fruitful?

COMMIT (BE ON MISSION)

7. Have you seen miraculous repentance take place – in your life or someone else’s? Explain.