

The Gospel According to Jonah: Jonah's Purpose

Discussion Questions

Date: February 9, 2020 | Scripture: Jonah 2:10-3:5

- 1. Read Jonah 2:10-3:5. What stands out to you?
- 2. Compare Jonah 3:1-2 with 1:1-2. How are they similar? How should these verses (which teach us that God gives second chances) give us hope as we follow Jesus?
- 3. God empowers his people to go back to the very places they have failed before, in order that they can change and grow. Do you have an experience like this in your life? Share it with the group.
- 4. Having received grace, Jonah now goes to Nineveh to extend grace to others by his presence. How ought this principle of incarnation serve as a model for us? How do we see this perfectly displayed in Christ?
- 5. When Jonah went to Nineveh, he not only brought his presence, but he spoke God's words. As you reflect on the places God has placed you (career, parent, spouse, etc.), what do you think God has called you to say in these areas?
- 6. God often does amazing things through our ordinary obedience. What is one thing you can do this week to step out in faith to love and serve someone else?

Spend some time praying for the people in your life who are far from God and ask for boldness to go to them and speak God's words to them.

We don't need new commands; we need new obedience. In the gospel, Jesus empowers us to go where he sends and speak what he says.