Jonah: Engulfed by Grace "The Jonah in All of Us"

February 17, 2019

Discussion Questions

- Last week Pastor Joel explained the difference between being a Pietist and a Quietist. Where did you find yourself in those descriptions? Were those two categories helpful in understanding how you best grow spiritually? Who in your life gives regular input from the other perspective?
- The book of Jonah tells the story of one man and his response to God's leading. Can you share some times in your walk of faith where you believe God spoke clearly to you? How did He speak? (Holy Spirit, Scripture, circumstances, the church, or a friend's guidance)
- 3. Please share, if you feel comfortable, a time when you decided to disobey God's clear guidance or direction. Unpack a bit of the details of your experience because of that disobedience? What was your "ship" to take you away?
- 4. Pastor Joel used the word "intervention" instead of "judgment". Do you agree with that choice of words? Do you believe that even God's judgment is an expression of His love to invite lost people to turn to Him for forgiveness and restoration?
- 5. Are you in that place where God is seeking to intervene because of disobedience? Share only what you feel comfortable sharing? Is there someone you love that is experiencing God's intervention that is painful for you to stand by and watch? How can you lovingly encourage them to turn back to God?
- 6. Close with a time of prayer based on what was shared with the group in confidence.