

DISCIPLE'S QUEST

*If you continue in My word, then you are
truly disciples of Mine.*
John 8:31



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Jonah 2:7 – 3:10

Man on a Mission

Main Idea:

Given a second chance, a now repentant Jonah obeys God and faithfully preaches His word to the people of Nineveh. When they themselves repent of their sins and believe in Him, God relents concerning the calamity He had declared He would bring upon them.

Outline:

- 1) The Reclaimed Messenger
- 2) The Remarkable Mission
 - Remarkably distant
 - Remarkably dangerous
 - Remarkable in dimension
- 3) The Miraculous Repentance
- 4) The Merciful Relenting

Questions for further contemplation and application after the message:

#1 Throughout our study, we have seen God repeatedly extend His grace to Jonah. Which of His gracious actions toward His runaway prophet stand out to you?

#2 After Jonah repented, God gave him a second chance to obediently deliver His message to Nineveh. Do you find this surprising? Why or why not?

What other Bible heroes received from the Lord such a second chance to be faithful?

Have you ever been given a 2nd or 3rd opportunity by God to do something He has called you to do? How did you respond?

#3 Is it possible for a person (or multiple people) to prevent God from accomplishing His will? Why not?

#4 Within a generation of Nineveh's repentance the city reverted to its evil ways, and about 150 years after the revival that occurred with Jonah's preaching, God saw to the city's destruction (as the later prophet Nahum said that He would). What lessons can be learned from Nineveh's relapse into wickedness and ultimate judgment?