

The Gracious, Questioning God & The Very Angry Prophet

Jonah 4:1-4

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- Last Week: Jonah 3:6-10 Who Knows: What The King Knows & What The Real King Does

Remember God's Grace

1. This Book Is Full Of God's Grace

- Grace To The Sailors (**Jonah 1:7-17**)
- Grace To Jonah (**Jonah 1:1-3:2**)
- Grace To The City Of Nineveh (**Jonah 3:1-10**)
- Grace To You (**Romans 15:4**)

2. Jonah Remembers God's Grace But Does Not Like What He Remembers (**Jonah 4:2**)

- We All Can Remember Wrongly (**Romans 1:21-23; Romans 10:2-3**)

Reactions To God's Grace

1. This Is A Reaction To God's Grace Given To Others

2. Jonah Is Accusing God Of Being Too Good & Gracious To Such Bad People

3. Reactions To God's Grace:

- Rejoice (**Luke 15:7, 10, 32**)
- Wrestle (**Hebrews 12:11-15, 2 Corinthians 12:7-10**)
- Recoil (**Jonah 4:1-3, Luke 15:28-30**)

4. When God's Grace Is Given To Others Do You Rejoice, Wrestle, Or Recoil?

5. Deficiencies in Truth-Love-Mission Directly Impact How We Rejoice In The Gospel

How God's Grace Prevails

1. God's Grace Is A Velvet Hammer — God Is Gracious To Even Jonah's Anger

2. God Addresses The Root Of The Problem Before The Fruit Of The Problem

3. How Jonah Understands Goodness Is Key To This Reaction

- יָטַב (Yatav) - to be good, well, or pleasing (**Jonah 4:4, 2; Genesis 1; Genesis 3:5-6**)

4. God's Grace Prevails Even As A Question That Confronts, Challenges, & Changes Us

God Graciously Questions Our Expectations Of Who Defines Goodness & Who Get's Grace!

Community Group Discussion Questions:

1. How is God speaking to you through Jonah 4:1-4?
2. Consider how gracious God is throughout the entire book of Jonah. Why do you think that Jonah is so displeased with God's graciousness?
3. How do you act when you are given grace? How do you tend to act when God's grace is given to others?
4. When God's grace is given to others do you rejoice, wrestle, or recoil? How have these different reactions been present in your life in the past? Do you see these responses to God's grace toward others in your life today?
5. Consider God's question to Jonah in Jonah 4:4— "Do you do well to be angry?" How does this question help Jonah? How can it help us today?