PRAYING INSIDE THE FISH

Jonah 2
November 22, 2026 | Pastor George Bedlion

SCRIPTURE READING

Jonah 1:7-2:10; Matthew 16:4; Psalm 18:6; Psalm 120:1; Psalm 88:6 & 13; 2 Samuel 22:5; Psalm 31:22 Psalm 5:7; Psalm 69:1-2; Psalm 30:3; Psalm 50:14; Psalm 3:8; 2 Corinthians 4:7-9

STUDY QUESTIONS

1. What do you like about the Jonah story? Why is the great fish swallowing Jonah the providence and provision of God?

2. In the belly of the fish, Jonah begins to pray. What do you think of Jonah's prayer straight from the Psalms? Why do you think Jonah prays the Psalms?

3. In the belly of the fish, Jonah is in a tight spot. Why do you think Jonah prays thanksgiving? Have you ever been in a tight spot? A distressing condition of confinement in your life? Can you share a time you were in a distressing condition of confinement in your life? How does the practice of thanksgiving fit in to the hard things of life we go through?

4. If God was speaking to you during the Jonah 2 message, what did you hear God say to you? Can you share with the group what you are thankful for this Thanksgiving?

RECOMMENDED READING

Peterson, Eugene H., *Working the Angles: The Shape of Pastoral Integrity* (Eerdmans, 1987).

Welcome Lunch November 22 | 12:30-2:00 PM | Youth Center | Are you new to Crossroads Bible Church? We'd love to get to know you better! You are invited to join us for a relaxed and light-hearted lunch, provided by us. It's an opportunity to connect with others who are new to Crossroads and to meet some of our pastors, staff, and leaders. Register at *cbcbellevue.com/welcomelunch*

Worship & Prayer Night December 1 | 6:00-7:00 PM | Worship Center | Join us for an evening of corporate worship and prayer as we prepare our hearts for Advent and intercede for our upcoming Christmas services. Together, we'll seek the Lord and pray that many would encounter the hope of Jesus this Christmas.

Summit December 29-January 1 | Camp Ghormley | Summit is our High School Winter Retreat that we host every year during the days leading up to New Year's Eve. This is the perfect time for students to get away and spend some much-needed time with God (and friends) before jumping back into their school and new calendar year. Learn more and register at *cbcbellevue.com/summit*