

CBC Learner Guide for Jonah Series Week 2 ~ Raised From the Dead ~ Jonah 1:17 - 2:10

Big Idea

When we get swallowed up by the consequences of our sins, God's right there, full of mercy, for his people.

Jonah's prayer contains two fascinating bookends.

Jonah 1:17

Jonah 2:10

Why did Jonah get thrown into the sea and swallowed by a sea monster?

Is this fish an instrument of salvation or judgment?

I. Distress Sends Jonah Running Back to God in Prayer (Jonah 2:1-3)

What are some ways we can identify with verse three in modern day Christianity?

Talking Point: Every experience that God permits in your life is strategic, for your good and His glory.

II. God Delivers his Distressed Prophet (Jonah 2:4-7)

Talking Point: In 2:5-7, Jonah gives a commentary on how this prayer came about.

What was it that caused Jonah to remember God and pray?

How do you forget God?

- Stepping away from Listening to God's voice in God's Word.
- Stepping away from Trusting God's voice above your own.
- Stepping away from the people of the Word.
- Stepping away from praying God's Word's back to him.
- Stepping away from confidence in God's pervasive presence and sovereignty.

III. Jonah Learned to Run to the LORD of his Salvation (Jonah 2:8-9)

Talking Point: Jonah survived death, but Jesus defeated death at the cross.

What does this mean to you personally as a believer?

Closing

The Bible also calls for us to share the message of the cross everywhere we go. Jesus promised his disciples his presence by his spirit in Matthew 28:20, "And Behold I am with you even to the end of the age."