

## Jonah 1:1-6

"Jonah: More than a fish story"

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## **Consult the Scriptures:**

Jonah 1:1-6 Jonah 4:1-2

## **Discuss:**

- 1. What do you remember being emphasized in the bible stories you heard growing up?
- 2. The Assyrians are known as the cruelest people group in the history of mankind.
- 3. Knowing how wicked they were, does the fact that Nineveh was the first group of people outside of Israel that God sent a "word of the Lord" to surprise you? Why or why not?
- 4. Knowing how self-righteous Jonah was, does the fact that God chose Jonah to be the one to go to Nineveh with God's good news surprise you? Why or why not?
- 5. Do you have a harder time extending mercy and grace to the "worldly sinners" or the "self-righteous bigots"?

- 6. What does it mean to you that God is coming after both with an unrelenting mercy?
- 7. Read verse 5.
- 8. Tyler said that "in storms, as Christians, we usually make one of two mistakes, we're either silent like Jonah or we're joining the chorus of the mariners crying out to the false gods of the world."
- 9. Which of these mistakes do you slip into?
- 10. Tyler said that "God has planned to use us, thousands of years later, to, in storms, to rely on him, and to cry out to him, to show the drowning world of the REAL hope that is only found in him."
- 11. What are some practical ways that you can do this individually, as a family, and as a community group?