

# LIFE GROUPS

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. When has God called you to go somewhere you did not want to go? Or do something you did not want to do?
2. Read Matthew 28:17-20. What does Jesus' call for each Christian to "go and make disciples" mean for you? Has this call been difficult for you?
3. Read Jonah 1:1-2. Why was this call upon Jonah so challenging for him? To what degree can you relate to Jonah's struggle?
4. Read Jonah 1:3. Why do you think Jonah "ran" from the Lord (he was headed about 2,500 miles from where he was called to go)? In what ways have you run from God?
5. Read 2 Kings 14:25. Jonah was used by God in powerful ways as a prophet in Israel. Does it surprise you that a revered prophet of God ran from the Lord? Explain.
6. Read Jonah 1:4-10. Why did God send a violent storm? How has the Lord sent "storms" in your life to direct you back to Him?
7. How was it a blessing for God to not allow Jonah to get away with running away?
8. Read Jonah 1:11-16. How did Jonah's running from God's call impact the lives of others? How can your disobedience to God's call to "make disciples" impact the lives of others?
9. In spite of Jonah's disobedience, how did the Lord use Jonah to teach the sailors about God? How did Jonah's actions reveal his compassion for those who were suffering because of his disobedience?
10. Read Jonah 1:17. What does God's work in saving Jonah show about His grace? How does God's bringing about suffering for our disobedience reveal His love for us?
11. When have you been blessed for obeying God's call? When you have suffered for disobeying God's call?
12. What needs to change in your life in order for you to more fully align with God's call upon your life?



### Jonah: Called

Jonah 1

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