LIFE GROUPS DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. When have you felt like your life was falling apart or about to end? What went through your mind at that time?
- 2. When has God taught you a lesson through giving you consequences for your rebellion against him? Did you thank him for the lesson? Why or why not?
- 3. Read Jonah 1:17. What would life have been like for Jonah during the three days and three nights in the belly of the fish? Why would God give such a painful consequence for Jonah's rebellion?
- 4. Read Matthew 12:38-41. What does Jesus' response teach us about his view of the story of Jonah? Why is it important to believe the historical account of this book?

5. How does what happened to Jonah relate to what was going to happen to Jesus?

- 6. Read Jonah 1:1-2. If you were in Jonah's situation, do you think you would have cried out to the Lord like Jonah did?
- 7. When has great consequence for sin brought you to a point of a desperate prayer? What difference did it make in your life?
- 8. Read Jonah 1:3-7. How did Pastor Craig define repentance (see 2 Corinthians 7:10)?
- 9. What does this passage (Jonah 1:3-7) show about Jonah's repentant heart through his consequences? How can consequences drive us back to the Lord?
- 10. Read Jonah 2:8-10. Describe how you see verse 8 lived out in everyday life.
- 11. How have you praised God, and even made sacrifices for the Lord, then did not keep your word (verse 9)? Why does it matter?
- 12. Read Psalm 119:166. Why is it challenging to be faithful to the Lord when you are waiting for him to come through for you?
- 13. What or where is your Nineveh (the place God has called you to be a witness)?

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