



LIFEgroup STUDY GUIDE

What you will need to supplement this guide:

1. A copy of the outline provided for notes on this message (copy from message or downloaded from the COASTAL APP).
2. A Bible or Bible APP to refer to verses.

PURSUING LIFE TOGETHER

SUNDAY MESSAGE REVIEW

NOTE to the LIFEgroup Leader: This guide is provided as a tool to assist you in facilitating a structured discussion with your group. When used in conjunction with the outline notes and a Bible this tool will ensure that your group will *Engage Authentically*. The questions are merely recommended “talk starters”. It is important for you to let God help you navigate through the conversation as you *pursue life together* as a group.

OPEN IN PRAYER

STARTER QUESTIONS:

Where have you seen God at work in your life since we last met?

What stood out to you from the message this week?

MAIN IDEA:

- REVIEW THE MAIN TOPIC OF THE MESSAGE. Allow time for discussion
- READ THE MAIN SCRIPTURE FROM THE MESSAGE OUTLINE.

How did this verse speak to you in your life?

- REVIEW THE SUB-TOPICS of the MESSAGE.

Have someone read each of the verses that were highlighted in the message, and briefly discuss.

Is there an area that you feel God is speaking to you through this message?

FINAL THOUGHTS:

- SUMMARIZE the main idea of this message.

Would anyone like to share your thoughts about what we discussed today?

How can we pray for you as a group?

CLOSE IN PRAYER

PERSON OF INTEREST

“Jonah”

“The word of the Lord came to Jonah son of Amittai...” Jonah 1:1 (CSB)

Jonah = “peaceful dove” — **Amittai** = “truth”

“Get up! Go to the great city of Nineveh and preach against it because their evil has come up before me.” Jonah 1:2 (CSB)

“Jonah got up to flee to Tarshish from the Lord’s presence.” Jonah 1:3a (CSB)

God’s presence is often in places that will make us uncomfortable...

Whenever God calls on you, the world will provide a way out.

The test of Christianity isn’t loving Jesus, it’s loving Judas

“The captain approached him and said, “What are you doing sound asleep? Get up! Call to your god. Maybe this god will consider us, and we won’t perish.” Jonah 1:6 (CSB)

“The Lord appointed a great fish to swallow Jonah, and Jonah was in the belly of the fish three days and three nights.” Jonah 1:17 (CSB)

“I cried out for help from deep inside Sheol; you heard my voice.” Jonah 2:2 (CSB)

Our God is the god of continuous second chances.

“The word of the Lord came to Jonah a second time...” Jonah 3:1 (CSB)

God saves us for a purpose.

“Get up! Go to the great city of Nineveh and preach the message that I tell you. Jonah got up and went to Nineveh according to the Lord’s command. Now Nineveh was an extremely great city, a three day walk.” Jonah 3:2-3 (CSB)

God-sized goals are too big for us, which is why we must rely on Him.

“In forty days Nineveh will be demolished!”

Jonah 3:4 (CSB)

When we highlight sin over the Savior we are not offering the full gospel.

“When word reached the king of Nineveh, he got up from his throne, took off his royal robe, covered himself with sackcloth, and sat in ashes.”

Jonah 3:6 (CSB)

“Jonah was greatly displeased and became furious.”

Jonah 4:1 (CSB)

“And the Lord said, “You cared about the plant, which you did not labor over and did not grow. It appeared in a night and perished in a night. So may I not care about the great city of Nineveh, which has more than a hundred twenty thousand people who cannot distinguish between their right and their left, as well as many animals?”

Jonah 4:10-11 (CSB)