



Part 3: A Heart For Runaways

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Review Last Message

Irony Summary of Chapter 2: Jonah would not pray when asked, but now prays from the belly. Jonah has who has been running from the attention of God now wants His attention. Jonah who has been fleeing from God now feels “driven away” from God. Jonah calls upon God’s unconditional love (the irony is to come.) Jonah vows obedience when he realizes he has little choice. The fish obeys God’s voice when Jonah had not.

1. Jonah’s Protection: Prepared
2. Jonah’s Prayer: Honest
3. Jonah’s Punishment: Earned
4. Jonah’s Position: Helpless
5. Jonah’s Pardon: Undeserved
6. Jonah’s Promise: Obedience

1. GOD’ PERSISTENCE

Jonah 3:1-2 (ESV)- Then the word of the Lord came to Jonah the second time, saying, “Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and call out against it the message that I tell you.”

2. GOD’S PROMISE

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Exodus 4:12 (ESV)- Now therefore go, and I will be with your mouth and teach you what you shall speak.

Luke 12:11-12 (ESV)-And when they bring you before the synagogues and the rulers and the authorities, do not be anxious about how you should defend yourself or what you should say, for the Holy Spirit will teach you in that very hour what you ought to say.

3. GOD’S PERSPECTIVE

Jonah 3:3 (ESV)- So Jonah arose and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly great city, three days’ journey in breadth.

Jonah 3:3 (MSZ)- And Jonah arose and went unto Nineveh according to the word of Yahweh. And Nineveh was a great city to God, three days walk.

Ezekiel 18:21-23 (ESV)-But if a wicked person turns away from all his sins that he has committed and keeps all my statutes and does what is just and right, he shall surely live; he shall not die. None of the transgressions that he has committed shall be remembered against him; for the righteousness that he has done he shall live. Have I any pleasure in the death of the wicked, declares the Lord God, and not rather that he should turn from his way and live?

Life Application Section

See God’s Love For You (Jonah 3:1, John 3:16, John 15:13)

Seize the Second Chance (Jonah 3:2, Lamentations 3:21, 1 John 1:9)

See God’s Love For Others (Jonah 3:3, 2 Peter 3:9, 1 Timothy 2:4)

Share God’s Word With Others (Jonah 3:2, Psalm 105:1, Luke 12:12)

Here is the Point: God loves all people and desires right relationship with them!