

## SAVED TO BE SENT

Jonah 3.1-3

### ROUND 2

What had to happen to Jonah, not only externally, but internally, to bring about his change in direction?

- He had to be afflicted. Psalm 119.67
- He had to be humbled. Romans 5.3-5
- He had to cry out to God. Jonah 2.1, 2
- He had to forsake his idols. Jonah 2.8
- He had to commit to the Lord. Jonah 2.9

But in all of this, the key is where Jonah's perspective. The medicine for Jonah was *not* to dig deep and pull himself up by his bootstraps. Nor was it to wallow in self-pity and misery in a victim mentality.

**His sin cast him down, but God brought him up.  
His sin had cast him out, but God brought him in.**

### THE SPIRIT IS WILLING, BUT THE FLESH IS WEAK

Notice how quickly and easy it was for Jonah to obey God's Word. It is *actually* not hard to do, but yet it is the most difficult thing for us to do at times.

**Offentimes, we disobey God's Word because we say, "I can't."  
But really, what we are saying is, "I won't."**

The truth is that we actually can, not because of ourselves, but when it comes to obedience, we can do all things through Him who gives us the strength. God's difficult grace produces in us what we don't have. He is able.

### ARISE AND GO

Romans 10.8, 13-17

Put yourself in Jonah's shoes. God says to us, "Arise and go to \_\_\_\_." Who or where is that fill in the blank? To whom would God have you share your faith with and bring the message of hope to? What work must God do in your heart for you to rise and go?

**The greatest miracle of the story of Jonah is not the sending of the great fish, but the repenting of the hardened heart.**



## NOTES:

### This Week's Scripture to Memorize:

**2 Corinthians 4:7**

But we have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us.

## ARE YOU NEW HERE?

### WELCOME TO LIFE MISSION!

We'd love for you to **fill out a Connection Card** so we can welcome you and answer any questions you may have. You can drop it in the offering during service or take it to one of our teammates at the **Connection Booth** outside. Feel free to grab some snacks or coffee in the courtyard and hang out. We hope you'll **join us next Sunday** and consider making us your church family.

### WHAT ABOUT THE KIDS?

Our kids' ministry, which we call **Kids on Mission**, has classes for **newborns - 5th grade**. We have a great team of volunteers who have all been screened with background checks for extra security.

Each week your child will get to **worship** with their class, followed by an **age-appropriate lesson** that points them towards Jesus and helps root them in the Word of God.

Visit our website to read more about the vision of Kids on Mission and a walkthrough of our curriculum. If you have any questions email **Katie McGinty** at [katie@lifemission.tv](mailto:katie@lifemission.tv)

### JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL

Our **6th - 8th graders** worship with the adults and then head to their classroom with their teacher and classmates for the rest of service.

Our **9th - 12th graders** stay in the service with the adults because we believe that it is crucial for them to not "graduate the faith" when they graduate school. Our **High School Ministry meets on Thursday Nights @7PM** here at Classical Academy in the Study Hall.

For more info or questions about our student ministries, email **Casey Barnes** at [casey@lifemission.tv](mailto:casey@lifemission.tv).

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## COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

Before your group starts, is there anyone who can share the Memory Verse?

Read **Jonah 3.1-3**. What was the most impactful part of this passage or the sermon? \_\_\_\_\_

How has God used difficult circumstances in your life to help you grow and be built up for work in His Kingdom? \_\_\_\_\_

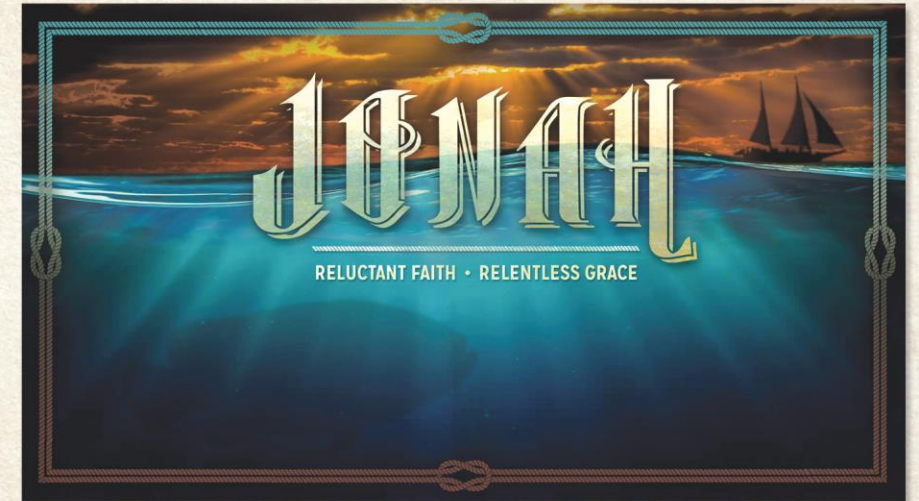
Of the last four bullet points in the Sermon Notes, how specifically did the Lord use your affliction to bring about those actions? Which of those actions stand out the most, as far as what you saw God do in you, as you think about your response to affliction? \_\_\_\_\_

Read **Psalms 119.67**. Where do you think you might be, whether speaking about in your heart, your attitude, or even physically, if God had not afflicted you in the way that He had? How has that time helped you to stay closer to Him? \_\_\_\_\_

Jobey talked about the difference between saying "I can't," and "I won't." What are some areas of needed obedience in life that you are maybe saying "I can't," when you should be admitting that you are really saying, "I won't." What is stopping you from saying, "I can't, but I can through Christ"? \_\_\_\_\_

Read **Romans 10.8-17**. What, or who, is the "Ninevah" that you are running from? Paul explicitly tells us that if we don't go, people cannot call upon the Lord and be saved. If Jonah didn't go, Ninevah would not have heard the message and been saved. Who in your life do you think God would want you to try to carve a path for Gospel conversations with, but you have not done so yet? What has stopped you, and what do you think it will take to get you to arise and go to this proverbial "Ninevah"? \_\_\_\_\_

Spend time as a group praying for the people that God has put on your heart to have Gospel conversations with. Ask for others to pray for you as well, to give you the confidence and trust to arise and go.



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