

JONAH: THE PRODIGAL PROPHET

Jonah 1:1-10

MAIN IDEAS FROM THIS WEEK

1. THE COMING WORD
2. THE RUNNING MAN
3. THE DEEP SLEEP
4. THE STORMY HOPE

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS – Pick one or two of these to talk about as a group

1. What stood out to you most from this week's message? Why?
2. Many people view the story of Jonah as a children's story. What comes to your mind when you think of the story of Jonah?
3. The book of Jonah never says the word "sin" but it can give us a clearer understanding of what sin really is. This is so important because there is a difference between knowing about sin and understanding sin. What do you know about sin? Have you ever been blindsided by sin in your own life?
4. Pastor Ryan talked this week about how the essence of sin is building an identity for ourselves outside of God. What are some problems we run into when we attempt to do this?
5. Some of the most profound self-knowledge you can have is your own strategies for running from God. Do you know what your strategies are or what they have been in the past? How do we discover what our strategies are?
6. The deep sleep that came on Jonah as he was running from God is similar to that of anesthesia. What are some ways that our sin can act like an anesthetic? How might this idea inform the way we approach and deal with our sin?
7. The reason for the storm God sent was that He loved Jonah and wasn't going to let him go. God could have easily chosen another prophet or gotten His message to Nineveh in a host of different ways. Has God ever used a storm to pursue you in love? What was that like?