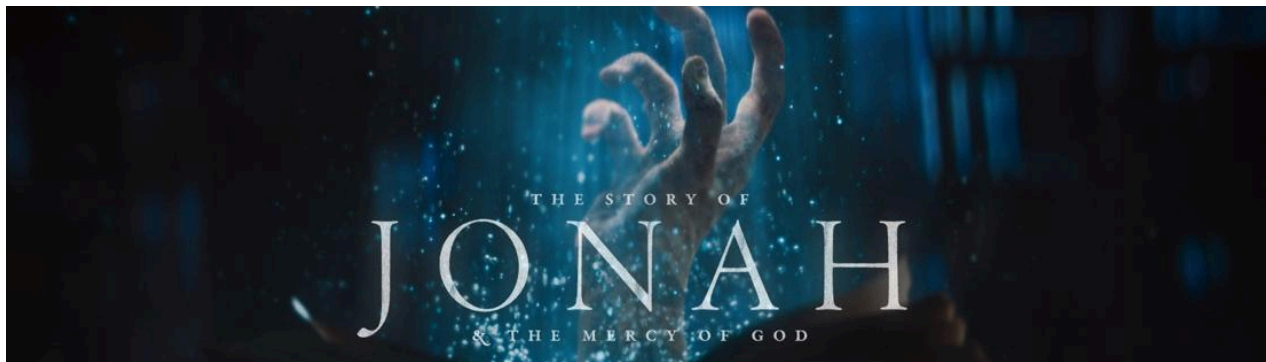




Jonah #5: Jesus, The Better Jonah

Lens #1: Our Relationship to God's WORD

Now the word of the LORD came to Jonah ... "Arise, go to Nineveh. Jonah 1:1-2

- The Root Of Jonah's Disobedience Was His MISTRUST In The Goodness Of God

"One of the main reasons we trust God too little is because we trust our own wisdom too much." ~Timothy Keller~

Parallels between Jesus & Jonah [Mark 4:35-41]

Then the LORD sent a great wind on the sea, and such a violent storm arose that the ship threatened to break up. Jonah 1:4

They Both Were on A Mission to the Gentiles
 They Both Experienced a Sudden, Violent Storm
 They Both Were Asleep During The Storm
 A Miraculous Calm followed both Storms
 After Both Storms There Was Greater Fear:

- Jonah Was A VICTIM Of The Storm, But Jesus Is The Master Of It.

"Something greater than Jonah is here."

For just as Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of the great fish, so will the Son of Man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth. ... and behold, something greater than Jonah is here. Matthew 12:40-41

- Jesus Is The Better Jonah - Because Jesus' Death Has Calmed The Storm of God's JUSTICE In Our Lives.

Lens #2: Our Relationship to God's WORLD

The Parable of the Good Samaritan [Luke 10:25-37]

- WHO Is My Neighbor?

"Anyone In Need, Regardless Of Race, Religion, Culture, Economics, Or Politics Is My Neighbor & They Are Deserving Of Our Compassion."

- How Should I REGARD My Neighbor?

"God Gives The Gift Of Moral Goodness, Wisdom & Compassion To People In Every Race, Religion And Culture."

- How Do I LOVE My Neighbor?

"As Christ Followers We Also Have A Responsibility To The Common Good of All Humanity."

Lens #3. Our Relationship with God's GRACE

"Faith is a living bold trust in God's grace, so certain of God's favor that it would risk death a thousand times trusting in it. Such confidence and knowledge of God's grace make you happy, joyful, and bold in your relationship with God and all creatures."

~Martin Luther~

LIFE GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

READ JONAH CHAPTERS 1-4

- What has been your greatest takeaway from this series? / What has God revealed to you during this series?
- In what ways have you personally resonated with Jonah's story?
- What is one thing you have learned regarding:
 - 1) Your relationship with God's word?
 - 2) Your relationship with God's world?
 - 3) Your relationship with God's grace
- What's your next step based on what you've learned in this series?

SOURCE:

Timothy Keller "Rediscovering Jonah/The Parodical Prophet"

Tim Mackie "Running From Your Life"

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