

Todd Arnett Jonah Prays; God Delivers March 31, 2019

Recognize God's mercy toward you as an opportunity to engage His mission

1. God's mercy comes in many forms

Jonah 1:17

2. When God has mercy on you, you tend to be grateful, but not <u>repentant</u>

Jonah 2:1-7

Jonah displays words of wanting to be near to God, but not to what God loves most – <u>people</u> – including the Ninevites

John 15:12

Galatians 5:14

1 John 3:11

Jonah 2:8-9

3. God's mercy will point you in the <u>direction</u> of people

Jonah 2:10

The same way that God used someone in your life to help you see the love and grace of Jesus is the way that He wants to use you in someone <u>else's</u>

Matthew 12:38-41

Now What?

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Week of March 31, 2019



Share a time in your life when God really got your attention.



This week we will study Jonah 1:17-2:10.

At this point in the book, how do we see the hand of God in what has happened?

How many times did Jonah personally address the LORD? What is Jonah's focus?

How would you describe God's actions toward Jonah? What do we learn about God?

What are the ways that Jonah responds to God? Is anything missing? (See David in Psalm 51)

How should God's mercy affect our relationship with Him? With others?

How does this story relate to the person and work of Jesus?



How has God shown mercy throughout this book? What is a healthy response to God's mercy?

What impact should God's mercy have on our relationships with people?

According to 1 John 1:3-4, what follows mercy? What motivates?



Time to Pray

Praying with and for one another helps us trust in $\operatorname{\mathsf{God}}$ together. Please pray . . .

- for the people you will invite to Easter services
- for our college ministry (Anchored) and their leaders
- for us to be people of compassion for all people



Take your compassion to work and school with you. Look for people to show care.