

Lesson 7 – Jonah

Jonah 1-4

1. What city was Jonah from? Using a Bible map or encyclopedia, locate this city? In what tribal territory was this? (2 Kings 14:25; Josh. 19:10-16; John 7:52)
2. To which city was Jonah sent by God? What nation did this city become the capital of about fifty years after Jonah? Why was the prophet reluctant to go? (Jonah 1:1-3; 4:1-2; 2 Kings 19:36)
3. How large was the city? How old was it? (Jonah 3:3; 4:11; Gen. 10:11)
4. Which direction was Nineveh from Israel? Which direction and about how far away was Tarshish from Israel?
5. How did Jonah end up overboard? (Jonah 1:4-16)
6. How long was Jonah in the belly of the great fish? (Jonah 1:17)
7. Briefly summarize or select a particularly important point from Jonah's prayer. (Jonah 2)
8. What did Jonah do the second time God sent him to Nineveh? (Jonah 3:1-3)

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9. What was Jonah's message? (Jonah 3:4)

10. How did the Ninevites and the king react to Jonah's preaching? (Jonah 3:5-9)

11. What does Jonah's mission and Nineveh's action imply about the Gentile's knowledge of right and wrong? (Jonah 1:2; 3:8; Rom. 2:14-16; 1:18-32)

12. How did God respond to Nineveh's repentance? (Jonah 3:10)

13. How did Jonah respond to God's mercy? (Jonah 4:1-4)

14. What lesson did God teach Jonah from the plant he provided for shade?

15. How did Jonah prophetically foreshadow Jesus? (Matt. 12:38-40)

16. Explain how the Ninevites in Jonah's time would "condemn" the Jews in Jesus' time? (Matt. 12:41; consider other examples - Heb. 11:7; 1 Cor. 6:2-3)