

Growth Group Questions

Jonah Part 3: Obedient Prophet

1. What stands out to you from Jonah 3?

2. The Ninevites model three aspects of repentance:
 - Sorrowful mourning over sin (vv. 5-8a)
 - Turning from sin (v. 8)
 - Turning to God in faith (vv. 8-9)
 - a. Which of these do you find most difficult?

 - b. Why is it important to include all three of these elements (i.e., what would be missing if one of them was left out)?

3. Repentance is a gift that only God can work in us (see Acts 11:18). How does that truth help you fight sin in your own life?
 - a. How should it affect the way you relate to other believers and unbelievers who struggle with sin?

4. Read Jonah 3:10. The people of Nineveh were incredibly violent and hateful, but God showed them mercy rather than holding their sins against them. What does this mean God will do for you when you turn to Him in repentance?

5. Who are the "Ninevites" in your life? Take the time right now to ask God to show them the same grace and forgiveness He's shown you.



Car Conversations

Keep the conversation with your kids going using these questions based on the Faith Kids' lesson.

(The following questions are based on Jonah 3)

1. Have you ever spoken or performed in front of a big crowd?
2. What is an ambassador?
3. What was Jonah's job in Nineveh?
4. How did the Ninevites respond to the message that Jonah shared with them? Is their response surprising? What does their response teach you about God?
5. What does an ambassador for Christ do? How are you an ambassador for Christ?