

A Holy and Loving God
Jonah 3, 4
Week 3 of 3
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For you are saved by grace through faith, and this is not from yourselves; it is God's gift – Ephesians 2:8

I. A LOVING AND HOLY GOD GAVE JONAH A SECOND CHANCE (JONAH 3)

A. Examples of those God gave second chances to.

1. Moses – murder
2. David – committed grievous sins
3. The Prodigal Son – wasted his life
4. Peter – denied Jesus
5. John Mark – Quitter

B. Strategies God uses to bring about second chances.

1. Separation – Moses
2. Confrontation – David
3. Desperation – Prodigal Son
4. Demonstration – Peter
5. Affirmation – John Mark
6. Isolation – Jonah

C. Second chance stages

1. Recognition – something is wrong
2. Remorse – sorry

3. Repentance – “I will turn around and walk another way”.
4. Reflection – We see the ramifications of our sin.
5. Reassignment

II. HOW JONAH SAW NINEVEH (JONAH 3)

- A. Nineveh was great is size (3:3)
- B. It was great in souls
- C. It was great in sin

III. CHARACTERISTICS OF A BIBLICAL REVIVAL

- A. God – appointed prayer for revival
- B. God – appointed preacher for revival
- C. God – appointed preaching for revival
- D. God – appointed power for revival (3:5)

Psalms 85:4

IV. GOD CONTINUES TO SHAPE JONAH’S HEART(JONAH 4)

- A. Jonah was angry that God spared the people of Nineveh.
 1. He saw the results of God’s mercy and grace
 2. He went up on a hill to pout and pity himself.
- B. God sent a gourd for shade
- C. God sent a worm to kill the gourd.

“THE WHOLE PURPOSE OF THIS BOOK WAS FOR JONAH TO LEARN THAT HE DID NOT HAVE THE HEART OF COMPASSION THAT GOD WANTED HIM TO HAVE AS A PROPHET” (DAVID JEREMIAH)

