

# Message Based Discussion

## Jonah 2

- What did you like about this message?
- What did you find hard to accept or understand?
- What does this message teach you about people?
- What does this message teach us about God? What does it teach about Jesus?
- What will you do now? Based on this message, how will your life change?
- How specifically are you going to live out today's lesson?
- Who will you tell? With whom will you have a conversation about this message?

### **The Call to Christian Discipleship**

Jonah finally relents to the Lord's will. It took a storm, some testifying pagans, and an act of suicide, but Jonah finally relented. His prayer reveals a heart of recognition, repentance, and redemption. Consider the ways in which you have found yourself out of step with God or in complete rebellion to Him. How have you responded to the chastening of the Lord? In what ways have you grown closer to Him because of His *hesed* in your life?

### **The Call to Missional Living**

The word *hesed* means steadfast love or loyal love. This is often expressed in Scripture in reference to God's relationship with His people. Considered one way, you cannot be loyal without love, and you cannot love without loyalty. How does that concept impact your relationship with God? How does that concept influence the manner in which you share about Jesus' love for others?

### **Pray**

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## God's Outrageous Grace

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Reading: Ephesians 2:1-10

Outrageous: *adj.* exceeding the limits of what is usual; highly unusual or unconventional; extravagant; remarkable

Introduction:

Jonah's Circumstances

- Jonah 1:17
- Jonah 2:1

Will *we* praise God in our chastening?

1. Jonah cries out to God (vs. 1-2)

- Learning to pray: it's more than an emergency exit

2. Jonah embraces the chastening of God (vs. 3-7)

- How we respond to discipline determines how much benefit we receive from it. (Hebrews 12:5-11)
- Jonah's faith in God's promise saved him. (1 Kings 8:38-40)

3. Jonah yields to the *Hesed* of God (vs. 8-10)

- Steadfast Love/Loyal Love/Covenant Love
- Salvation belongs to the Lord (Psalm 3:8)
- Redemption