

JONAH: HEARING AND DOING GOD'S WILL

Sermon Title: Recalculating

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Text: **Jonah 2:1-10**

Subject: **Repentance**

Notes:

- Does your spiritual life need a **G P S**?
- At some point, we all need **Direction**.
- Are you **Experiencing** frustration, fear, and despair?
- In Jonah 2, we find the **Prophet** of God in a recalculating mode.
- From an experience of **Rebellion** and discipline, Jonah turns to an experience of **Repentance** and dedication.
- Chapter 2 records Jonah's **Prayer** from the belly of the fish.
- His prayer was saturated with **Scripture**.
- Notice the **Stages** of Jonah's spiritual journey as he experiences the God of a second chance.

1. **GOD SPEAKS**—1:1-2

2. **JONAH DEPARTS**—1:3

3. **GOD DISCIPLINES**—1:4-9

4. **JONAH DESCENDS**—1:10-15

5. **GOD PRESERVES**—1:17

6. **JONAH PRAYS**—2:1-9

- a. Jonah **Literally** prayed "*from the belly of the fish*"
- b. Jonah finally was willing to pray "*to the Lord His God*"
- c. Jonah's prayer reveals that he got his **Wish**
 - i. Jonah **Reaped** what he sowed
 - ii. Jonah **Experienced** what he wished for Nineveh
 1. A feeling of **Horror**/A foretaste of **Hell**—v. 3-4a, 5-6a
 2. God was reminding him of what the people of **Nineveh** were going through in their sinful condition.
- d. Jonah prayed out of **Affliction** rather than **Affection**

7. **GOD ANSWERS**—2:2, 10

- a. **God** Heard Jonah's cry for help and answered!
- b. The Bible says, "*So the Lord spoke to the fish, and it vomited Jonah onto dry land*"—v. 10.

8. **JONAH REPENTS**—2:9; 3:3

- a. Jonah Realized The Fruit of **Rebellion**
- b. Jonah Received A **Second** Chance—God's Grace
- c. What Jonah did is what everyone needs to do when they **Disobey** God—He **Repented!**

Note: **Repentance** is a change of mind that always evidences itself in **three ways**: Change of **Attitude**/Mind; (Repentance must affect an individual intellectually; Because there is a change of mind, there is a change of attitude); Change of **Affection**/Emotionally/Heart; Change of **Action**/Will; Repentance will change the way you act!

- d. A **Note** About God's Second Chance To Jonah:
 - i. God gave Jonah a second chance through an **Assignment**