

Coming Together

- What is the most fun vacation you have ever taken? Where was it? Who did you go with? What made it so fun?
- What actions or activities do you think help people feel successful in life no matter what their job is or stage of life they are in?

Deepening Our Understanding

- Review: What did Jonah do to end up in the belly of a fish?
- Read Jonah 2:10-3:10. “Circle, Highlight, Underline” anything in these verse that stands out to you. What struck as significant in these verses?
- There are several important characters in Jonah 3. What role do each of the following figures play or do in this chapter of Jonah’s story?

-- God

-- Jonah

-- the Ninevites

- How does the King of Nineveh respond to the news that Nineveh wants to follow God (Jonah 3:6-9)?

Unwrapping God’s Principles

- In Jonah 3:1-2, God gave Jonah a second chance at obedience. Why do you think Jonah is more willing to obey the mission God has for him this time around? How does element of the story motivate you concerning God’s mission for your life?
- How do the following verses help us understand in part what God’s mission for us is: Acts 1:8; Matthew 28:19?
- Read Matthew 5:43-48. How do these verses help us understand God’s heart for people and His expectations for us as His followers?

Deepening Our Hearts for God

- God seems to be asking Jonah to share forgiveness with people Jonah doesn’t like very much. Jonah seemingly acts in obedience but where is heart on the matter? See Jonah 4:1-3.
- What in your life has God asked you to do that is really hard? How did you respond?

Looking Ahead

Read Acts 3:1-26. Why do you think Luke includes this story of healing in the Book of Acts?

