

God's Mercy in the Midst of a Storm

Jonah 1:1-17

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1. Every act of disobedience to God has a _____ attached to it.
2. In the midst of these storms is the _____ of God.
3. This is God's mercy for those who _____ Him.
4. There are possibly three reasons for why Jonah disobeyed God:
 - a. _____
 - b. _____
 - c. _____
5. *"Perhaps your god will be concerned about us so that we will not perish."*
6. Jonah's disobedience was costly not only to himself but to the sailors as well and _____ .
7. The storm is the mercy of God to a _____ prophet.
8. The storm is also God's _____ towards these sailors.

Small group discussion questions

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1. Jonah struggled with God extending mercy towards the Assyrians. Talk about as a group why we struggle with loving and extending mercy towards some people or people groups.
2. When Jonah was called by God to go to Nineveh he disobediently went in the opposite direction. Can you think of a time in your life when you knew what it was that God was calling you to do and yet you “fled to Nineveh”? What did God use to bring you back to Him?
3. The storm was an act of God’s mercy towards Jonah. Not all storms are because of sin some storms come because we live in a fallen world. What purpose do storms serve in our lives?
4. As a group spend some time praying for your hearts ask the Lord to bring healing and love to your heart for those whom you may have a difficult time loving.