

## Salt n light Reflections

### Episode # 7

For Today's Bible Study, read over the material and answer the questions at the end. There are some assignments and you can listen to the episode if you would like)

Jonah was a Prophet of YAHUVEH GOD, sent to Ninevah to preach about Repentance. Ninevah at the time, had a lot of corruption going on. Jonah fled from Tarshish, and didn't want to go to ninevah to do what YAHUVEH GOD wanted HIM to do, and so from that there was consequences and he was swallowed by a great fish after a storm hit causing the others on the boat to see that it was because of jonah that, that was happening and Jonah tells them to throw him over the boat, so they do. Which he stays 3 days and 3 nights in the belly of the fish.. After Jonah Repented, he was spit out of the fish and does what YAHUVEH GOD called him to do and goes to Nienevah to speak of repentance, leading them back into this.

Through out Jonah, you can learn a lot about, the importance of obedience, the importance of compassion, and repentance. We also see YAHUVEH GODS hand of mercy, and Jonah ultimately had to learn some hard lessons through out this because, He didn't want to fullfill GODS calling for him, and tried to run away.

He also got angry because YAHUVEH GOD spared nienveah of the disaster that was going to come upon it because they Repented. I think Through out this we can learn also, that yes we should be angry at wickendness that is being done, but we should have compassion towards others like HE does. HE didn't have to give them a chance, to repent but YAHUVEH GOD did. Just like how we should be so grateful so appreciative of HIS mercy and forgvness towards us every day. There are consequences for disobedience.

There are blessings for obedience.

We can see in Jonah, what he went through the power of prayer, when he prays to GOD, when hes in the belly of the fish and YAHUVEH GOD allows him to be delivered and set free of that.

See, YAHUVEH GOD HE cares for HIS people, HE doesn't want anyone to perish and go to hell. HE gives times for

people to repent, to humble themselves, and to return back to HIM. HE is patient, Even though we are sinful even though there is much wickedness in this world. HE cares for us and doesn't want anyone to perish.

My question to you , today is this: Will you be willing to let go of your sin (s) and repent today? And live for YAHUSHUA (JESUS CHRIST) and strive for holiness? Obeying HIM in all HE asks of us to do, out of Love? YAHUVEH GOD loves each person. HE created you. HE made each person unique. Will you take heed to the warnings of today? And even just like in Jonahs time , about the message of repent from all that in unholy, and turn towards GOD seek HIM, the message is the same today. Even though times change and things change YAHUVEH GODs message it doesn't change. HE wants us to cry out to HIM and seek HIM with all of your heart and soul and HE will be found like the Bible says.

We shouldn't run from what YAHUVEH is calling us to do. We should run towards HIM with a heart seeking to do all HE wants us to do for HIS honor and glory. Jonah Repented, and He learned, even though he had some hard lessons to go through.

*But I, with the voice of thanksgiving, will sacrifice to You. I will fulfill what I have vowed. Salvation is from the LORD!*

—Jonah 2:9

### Bible Study Questions:

1. Why did Jonah go to Ninevah?
2. How does Jonah's experience in the belly of the fish reflect themes of repentance and mercy?
3. How does the story illustrate the concept of obedience to GODS calling?
4. In what ways does the book of Jonah challenge our understanding of compassion and forgiveness?
5. What lessons can we learn about GOD's sovereignty and grace from Jonah's journey

### Assignments:

1. Identify a "Tarshish" in your life- a place or situation you are using to avoid a difficult task GOD has put on your heart.
2. Research the History of Nineveh (Assyria), why was Jonah so terrified to go there?