

So they took up Jonah, and east him forth into the sea: and the sea ceased from her raging Jonah. I. 15.

# Jonah, Prophet to the Gentiles

Theme of Jonah:
The Grace of God

Message of Jonah:

Repentance and Salvation is for the Gentiles too!

You Cannot Run From God

# Setting of Jonah

782 BC

Syria is Israel's most hated enemy

Assyria in a temporary decline

More open to the gospel?

# Jonah: A Prefigure of the Messiah

Matthew 12:39-41 The "sign of Jonah"

John 7:52 Gath Hepher 3 km from Nazareth.

All are about to die.

Sleeping in a boat during a massive storm. (Luke 8:32)

Gambling at his feet. (Luke 23:34)

# Jonah: A Prefigure of the Messiah

Jonah 1:15 Jonah calms the storm (Mark 4:39)

Jonah 1:12 Jonah willingly offers his life to save the Gentiles.

It is a miracle Jonah is in the Bible!

### **Outline of Jonah**

Ch 1 Running from God.

Ch 2 Running to God.

Ch 3 Running with God.

Ch 4 Running ahead of God.

# Jonah Ch 1 Running from God

Jonah 1:1-3 Go and preach against Nineveh.

Jonah 1:4-17 God is in control.

Point: When God asks you to do something you desparately do not want to do, do it anyway!!!

# Jonah tries to avoid doing God's will



### Jonah Ch 2 Running to God.

Q: Why did Jonah wait three days to repent?

v. 1-7 Jonah is us!

v. 8,9 These heathens do not deserve to be saved, but if you INSIST...

Has Jonah been humbled?
Are we like Jonah?

# Jonah Ch 3 Jonah Runs With God

3:1-9 v. 3 Did Jonah really repent?

Did he preach the entire message?

A very effective preacher.

Message: Some people you think will not be open will be open!

Is Jonah happy that 100,000 were saved?

# Jonah Ch 4. Jonah Runs Ahead of God Jonah 4:1-3 Jonah having a pity party.



# Jonah Ch 4. Jonah Runs Ahead of God

Jonah 4:4-5 Waiting for disaster.

Jonah 4:6-12 The Grace of God.

v. 6 How has God provided a vine for you?

Are you, like Jonah, more concerned with your own comfort that the salvation of the lost?