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Jonah 1:1-3

**The LORD gave this message to Jonah son of Amittai:
“Get up and go to the great city of Nineveh. Announce
my judgment against it because I have seen how wicked
its people are.”**

**But Jonah got up and went in the opposite direction to
get away from the LORD. He went down to the port of
Joppa, where he found a ship leaving for Tarshish. He
bought a ticket and went on board, hoping to escape
from the LORD by sailing to Tarshish.**

Jonah 4:1-3

Jonah was furious. He lost his temper. He yelled at GOD, “GOD! I knew it—when I was back home, I knew this was going to happen! That’s why I ran off to Tarshish!

I knew you were sheer grace and mercy, not easily angered, rich in love, and ready at the drop of a hat to turn your plans of punishment into a program of forgiveness! [Message]




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Where Is Nineveh?

A Place of Mercy

Matthew 5:43-46, 48

You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.’ But I say to you, love your enemies, bless those who curse you, do good to those who hate you, and pray for those who spitefully use you and persecute you that you may be sons of your Father in heaven;

For He makes His sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust. For if you love those who love you, what reward have you? Do not even the tax collectors do the same?

Therefore you shall be perfect, just as your Father in heaven is perfect.

Ephesians 4:31-5:2

Let all bitterness, wrath, anger, clamor, and evil speaking be put away from you, with all malice.

And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, **even as God in Christ forgave you.**

Therefore **be imitators of God as dear children. And walk in love, as Christ also has loved us and given Himself for us...**

John 13:34-35

So now I am giving you a new commandment: Love each other. Just as I have loved you, you should love each other.

Your love for one another will prove to the world that you are my disciples.



How Do I Get There?

A Humbling of Mercy

Jonah 1:17, 2:5-6, 8-9

Now the LORD had prepared a great fish to swallow Jonah. And Jonah was in the belly of the fish three days and three nights.

“The waters surrounded me, even to my soul; The deep closed around me; Weeds were wrapped around my head. I went down to the moorings of the mountains; The earth with its bars closed behind me forever; Yet You have brought up my life from the pit, O LORD, my God.

**Those who regard worthless idols forsake their own Mercy.
But I will sacrifice to You with the voice of thanksgiving;
I will pay what I have vowed. Salvation is of the LORD.”**

Jonah 2:10-3:3

Then the LORD ordered the fish to spit Jonah out onto the beach.

Now the word of the LORD came to Jonah the second time, saying, “Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and preach to it the message that I tell you.”

So Jonah arose and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD.

Luke 9:51-55

As the time drew near for Him to ascend to heaven, Jesus resolutely set out for Jerusalem. He sent messengers ahead to a Samaritan village to prepare for his arrival. But the people of the village did not welcome Jesus because he was on his way to Jerusalem.

When James and John saw this, they said to Jesus, “Lord, should we call down fire from heaven to burn them up?”

But He turned and rebuked them, and said, “You do not know what manner of spirit you are of. For the Son of Man did not come to destroy men’s lives but to save them.”

Titus 3:5, John 3:16-17

He saved us, not because of the righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He washed away our sins, giving us a new birth and new life through the Holy Spirit.

For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved.



What Do I Do At Nineveh?

An Act of Mercy

Jonah 3:9-10,4:11 King's Decree & God's Response

“No one, not even the animals from your herds and flocks, may eat or drink anything at all. People and animals alike must wear garments of mourning, and everyone must pray earnestly to God. They must turn from their evil ways and stop all their violence. Who can tell? Perhaps even yet God will change his mind and hold back his fierce anger from destroying us.”

When God saw what they had done and how they had put a stop to their evil ways, he changed his mind and did not carry out the destruction he had threatened.

But the LORD said (to Jonah), “...should I not pity Nineveh, that great city, in which are more than one hundred and twenty thousand persons who cannot discern between their right hand and their left—and much livestock?”

Romans 5:5, 2 Timothy 1:7 Ability To Forgive

Now hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was given to us.

For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind.

Colossians 3:12-14

Therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, put on tender mercies, kindness, humility, meekness, longsuffering;

Bearing with one another, and forgiving one another, if anyone has a complaint against another; even as Christ forgave you, so you also must do.

But above all these things put on love, which is the bond of perfection.

Colossians 1:9-11 A Prayer For Wisdom & Strength

For this reason we also, since the day we heard it, do not cease to pray for you, and to ask that you may be filled with the knowledge of His will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding;

That you may walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing Him, being fruitful in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God;

Strengthened with all might, according to His glorious power, for all patience and longsuffering with joy;

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