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JONAH

Experience God's Patience.

Embrace His Presence.

Enjoy Divine Provision.

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INTRODUCTION

IF YOU WERE to ask me (Chris) how I knew Katie, I could truthfully assert, “She lives on the same street as me.” This statement, although true, stops well short of the fullness of our connection—it leaves out all the best stuff! We not only live on the same street, but in the same house. We not only live in the same house, but we are married, and she is the mother of my children. We are more than just street-mates. Our lives are forever entwined in ways well beyond any other person in our neighborhood. In the same way, many might say they know about the Book of Jonah, but if they stop at a simple description of the story, they will miss all the good stuff.

Most people see this small story of Jonah as one with a moral: don’t run from God, or He’ll send a fish to swallow you. We believe this summary falls well short of God’s intended purpose for the book. The Book of Jonah has much more to hold for our everyday lives than meets the eye.

Jonah was a runner, this we all know. God said go. Jonah said no. Then he attempted to run away from the God of the universe. Yet the story continues, as Jonah seemingly learns his lesson, and God recommissions Jonah to the task at hand. Yet Jonah once again proves he had a small view of God and a stubborn heart.

Jonah chose safety over submission.

Jonah chose pride over pity.

Jonah chose comfort over compassion.

There will be much for us to prayerfully consider about our own lives. Do we look like Jonah? Are our actions and attitudes more similar to his than we care to admit?

Yet, there is also much we can learn about the character of God and our interactions with Him. In this tiny Old Testament book we see the sovereignty of God, the power of prayer, the depths of God’s mercy, the richness of God’s unmerited love, the lunacy of trying to escape God, the bitterness of racism, the coldness of a prophet who cares nothing for the lost, and a foreshadowing of the Savior who is to come.

We’re praying your time in Jonah will be not only insightful but transformational. Along the way, we hope you’ll also pick up a few tools and gain a bit of confidence to open God’s Word on your own. Are you ready? Let’s go.



WEEK 1

FOCUSING ON JONAH 1:1–6

As believers, we cannot disobey the Lord without paying a price. Certainly our spiritual life weakens. The skills and abilities God has bestowed on us will atrophy from lack of use while we waste time fleeing.

—CHARLES STANLEY

If you long to experience peace with God, run to Him and not away from Him. He is there and wants to embrace you.

—TONY EVANS

HAVE YOU EVER thought about what your life would be like if you were on a reality television show? If you are like us you have zero desire to star in a reality show for at least two reasons. First, our lives are not interesting enough to be broadcast for others to see. Second, there is the very real possibility that others would see the most embarrassing moments of our lives. Most of us have suffered romantic rejection, failed miserably at work, put on more weight than we'd like to admit, or had our hopes and dreams crushed. However, few of us have ever had these occasions captured on camera for all posterity. As horrible as that sounds, this is essentially what we see in the Book of Jonah—a glimpse into a man's life at his worst moment.

In the opening passage of Jonah we are introduced to a man who has been called by God to a specific task. Jonah's response sets in motion one of the most unique interactions with God in all of human history. Instead of trusting God, Jonah flees the scene and is swallowed by a fish. After repenting of his faithlessness, Jonah completes the assignment

but remains hostile to the people of Nineveh. As readers of this story, we may find Jonah's actions curious. It may help us to understand the context in which Jonah found himself.

If you read the optional bonus week that provides the context of Jonah's life, you learned Jonah was a prophet of Israel (2 Kings 14:25) whose ministry occurred in the 700s BC. The nation of Israel had enjoyed peace and prosperity under kings David and Solomon from 1060–1000 BC. However, in the years following King Solomon's death, the nation split into two kingdoms: Israel in the north and Judah in the south. Judah was led by several kings who loved God, but Israel never had a king who managed to follow the Lord. God sent many prophets to warn Israel of the dangers of disobedience. Jonah was one such messenger of God.

When God called Jonah to leave Israel and go to Nineveh, it was a call to minister to the enemy. Nineveh was a city in the Assyrian Empire, which was not only the major world power at the time but was also notoriously brutal. There is ancient artwork depicting Assyrians flaying their adversaries, carving flesh off the bones of living people. In fact, within a generation of Jonah's ministry the Assyrians would conquer Israel and carry off its people into captivity. In some ways, Jonah had good reason to be fearful of these people.

As you study this week, be careful not to be overly critical of Jonah. Try to place yourself in his shoes. How would you respond if God called you to go to a place where Christians suffered violence? On the other hand, make sure not to minimize the seriousness of Jonah's sin. Jonah knew what God wanted and did the exact opposite.



FOUNDATION

[FOCUSING ON JONAH 1:1–6]

You will show me the way of life, granting me the joy of your presence and the pleasures of living with you forever.

—Psalm 16:11 NLT

DOZENS OF STUDENTS sat in pews with arms crossed and heads tilted, exuding a too-cool-for-school attitude while they “listened” to the chapel service at their school. Friday after Friday, someone preached to these teenagers about being a good Christian. Count the cost. Be sold-out for God. Jesus suffered and died for you; the least you can do is live for Him.

As a teenager, I (Katie) thought counting the cost for Jesus meant throwing away my secular music and wearing a Christian T-shirt. The chapel speakers encouraged me to be “sold-out” for Jesus, but they might as well have asked me to go to jail for Jesus. Both seemed equally daunting.

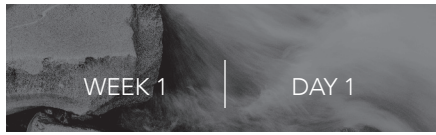
I honestly thought that if I surrendered my life to God I would end up in a hut in Africa married to an ugly man. Yep. Hut. Africa. Ugly husband. Worst fate ever for a sixteen-year-old. I pictured a sold-out-for-Jesus Katie as void of all comforts, accolades, and purpose besides “living for God.”

Obviously, I had a lot to learn about living for the glory of God.

Oh, how I had it all backwards! I spent years wanting more of God in my life but unsure of how to experience Him outside of youth group and Bible class. The fears of my heart paralyzed me from following the promptings of the Spirit.

Jonah had fears too. And I really can’t blame him for running. I’ve been the runner myself. My guess is you’ve been too.

Sometimes our running looks just like Jonah’s physical flight to Tarshish. Sometimes it looks like that sixteen-year-old girl—glued to her pew, refusing to follow the Spirit of God.



1. Before we dive into Jonah 1:1–6, spend a moment in prayer. Ask God to open your eyes to the important truths in this story.

Now it's time to start using the FOCUSed15 method of study. We'll be studying the same passage all week, which gives us a chance to pull back and look at these verses through different lenses each day.

Enjoy Every Word

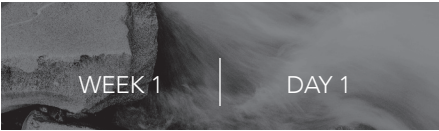
2. We are going to enjoy the story of Jonah by slowly take in the setting, characters, and scenery. Read Jonah 1:1–6, and write out the story as you go along. You could write it out word-for-word, jot it down like a play, or you can summarize the main events. If you are artistic, you may enjoy drawing out each scene. There is no right or wrong way to do this. It is simply an exercise of intentionally taking in each word. We'll build on what we learn from this practice throughout the rest of the week.

3. Which words or phrases in Jonah 1:1–6 stand out to you?

4. Record any questions you have about this passage. Your questions should be answered by the end of the week, as you continue to study. If not, you'll have an opportunity to consult commentaries later.

We runners, we have trust issues. Yes, Jonah chose disobedience. Yes, I chose to sit instead of walk forward in obedience (again and again). But the issue is not in the fleeing or the sitting. It's more than our actions. Our actions (or inactions) are simply a reflection of our hearts.

Our heart's position is the problem. We refuse to trust that God is good and trustworthy. Our view of God is small and our view of self is inflated. Our reluctance plagues our heart, binding us captive to the fear of what-ifs.



Instead of giving into fearful fleeing, we need to focus on God’s faithfulness. Let’s release the notion that we can control our circumstances and embrace the pursuit of the presence of God. It is only in His presence that we experience the peace, joy, and fulfillment we long for. We’re praying you will experience that fulfillment this week.

{God, I confess my tendency to mistrust You. Though You are perfectly faithful and trustworthy, I listen to the whispers of the evil one, telling me You do not want what is best for me. Instead of running away from You, I want to run to You, into Your capable, strong, life-giving presence.}

IF YOU HAVE MORE TIME . . .

Foundation

For a fresh perspective, read this passage in a translation you don’t often use.

Write out Jonah 2:1–2 onto a few 3-by-5 cards in your favorite translation. Keep the verses with you and/or post them up around your house. Begin committing them to memory. Each week we’ll add a few more verses. The end goal will be to have Jonah 2:1–9 memorized.

If you haven’t done the bonus study already, complete day 1 of the context study on page 154.



OBSERVATION

[FOCUSING ON JONAH 1:1–6]

Beloved, do not imitate evil but imitate good.

—3 John 1:11

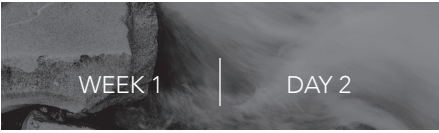
I (CHRIS) AM an admitted procrastinator. As was often the case during my college years, I put off studying as long as I could. My go-to strategy was to look over my notes the night before the exam, and then on test day I'd feverishly study until the moment the tests were passed out.

During my junior year I was running my playbook to perfection, or so I thought. I was studying for an exam in my 3:00 p.m. class during a lecture in my 1:30 p.m. class. At least that is what I did until the professor suddenly halted her lecture and started walking my way. In a forceful tone she said, "Are you reading for another class during my lecture? How dare you?" Busted . . . or so I thought.

You see, sitting right in front of me was my roommate. Unbeknownst to me, he was also doing work for another class. The professor chewed him out in front of the whole class in a manner I will never forget. Though I was not the one who was chastised in that moment, I learned from my roommate's reaming and put my work aside.

We can all learn from the mistakes of others. In Jonah, as with many narratives in the Bible, we don't see any commands for us to follow, but there is still much to pay attention to. The lives of people that are recorded in Scripture provide attitudes and actions for us to either adopt or avoid. The Book of Jonah holds many attitudes and actions for us to consider—mostly to avoid.

1. Open your time with God through prayer, expressing your gratefulness for God's Word. Ask the Holy Spirit for His wisdom and revelation as we dive deeper into the truths held in this story.



Look at the Details

We get to put our observation glasses on today. This is another place in our study where it is easy to skip to interpretation. Just write what the text shows. We're simply gathering facts.

2. Read Jonah 1:1-6, looking for all the actions of God and Jonah.

ACTIONS OF GOD	ACTIONS OF JONAH

3. Now, look back at the actions of God you've observed. What do these actions reveal about who God is?

Observing the details in Scripture is so much more than list-making. We're shaping our theology when we observe Scripture in this way; we're intentionally learning more about God, where we stand as His children, and how we are to live out God's purpose for our lives.

{God, I'm thankful You speak to Your people. You bring encouragement, correction, and directives for our good. Make me open to hear Your voice and willing to obey Your commands. Show me where I am currently running from Your presence instead of drawing near to You.}

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TIME . . .

Observation

Note all you can learn about the mariners.
Work through the Bonus Study Week in the appendix (if you haven't already).



CLARIFICATION

[FOCUSING ON JONAH 1:1–6]

Seek the LORD and his strength; seek his presence continually!

—Psalm 105:4

IF YOU'VE NEVER seen a T-ball game, do yourself a favor and go watch one. T-ball is a great way for kids to learn the rules of a fairly complex game. Because of these complexities, the learning curve is steep, which provides many opportunities for some hilarious moments.

It can be confusing for a preschooler to remember which way to run when the ball is hit. You have two sets of coaches—and two set of fans—all consecutively yelling instructions to children on both teams. In all of the commotion, kids forget which way they are supposed to run. Sometimes a batter will run to third base instead of first. Other times a runner will skip a base, or stop mid-stride to grab their teammate's hit ball and throw it to first. Once we saw a kid hear his parents say, "Run home!" and he ran off the field to head to the car. He thought it was time to go home.

As comical as it is to watch these cuties run the wrong way in T-ball, it is not nearly as funny to watch people run the wrong way in life. In our study this week, we watch Jonah run the wrong way because he believes he can outrun the presence of God. Jonah's fundamental misunderstanding of God's presence cost him dearly.

1. Open today's time with a prayer. Ask God to open the eyes of your heart to see the fallacies you believe about God. Declare your desire to seek His presence, instead of run from it.

Uncover the Original Meaning

As part of our Clarification day, we come to our Hebrew study. You may be a bit intimidated by the thought of studying the original language, but it's an important layer we get to peel back. With the right tools, studying the Hebrew can be as simple as looking up a word in the dictionary. If this is your first attempt at Hebrew study or you need a

refresher, I encourage you to check out the videos I (Katie) have created to show you how to use many of the online Hebrew tools. Just head to KatieOrr.me/Resources, and look for the VIDEOS section.

DECIDE which word you would like to study.

2. To start your Hebrew study, look for any potential key words in Jonah 1:1–6. As you find any repeated word or words that seem important to the passage, write them down below.

You may have noticed that the word *presence* is used multiple times. Let's start there.

DISCOVER that word as it was originally written.

Now that you know what you want to study, you need to look up the word *presence* to find out what the original Hebrew word is. An interlinear Bible will show you English verses and line up each word next to the Hebrew words they were translated from. You can find these tools in print form, but the easiest way to use them is through the many free online websites and/or smart phone applications I've listed on my website. Many of these resources will make this step easy. You can find the Hebrew word with a click of a button or tap of the screen.

3. Using your preferred tool, see if you can find the original word for *presence*, and write it below.

For a more detailed explanation of what is going on behind the scenes of your app or website tool, check out How to Do a Greek/Hebrew Word Study in the appendix.

DEFINE that word.

Now that you know the original word for *presence* used in verse 3 is *paneḥ*, we can look up this Hebrew word to better define and uncover the original meaning. For this, we will fill out the following chart.

HEBREW WORD:

paneḥ

VERSE AND VERSION:

Jonah 1:3 ESV

Part of Speech:
(verb, noun, etc.)

noun

Translation Notes:
(How else is it translated? How often is this word used?)

*used 1,947 times; also translated into:
before, face, front (and many more)*

Strong's Concordance Number:

H6440

Definition:

front, head, face

Notes:

*94 times of 1,947 translated as "presence" (in ESV), translated into "before"
1,008 times of 1,947*

- Now, why don't you try it on your own? Use the above steps to look up the word *thought* in verse 6, and fill in the chart provided. (If you are brand new to Bible study this may be overwhelming. That's OK. It was for me, as well. Just give it a try, and if you're not up for looking up Hebrew, choose a few words to look up in the dictionary and write out their definitions. This is still a great way to do our Clarification work of better understanding the meaning of each word.)

HEBREW WORD:

VERSE AND VERSION:

Part of Speech:
(verb, noun, etc.)

Translation Notes:
(How else is it translated? How often is this word used?)

Strong's Concordance Number:

Definition:

Notes:

Sometimes life is overwhelming, and when we hear the call of God, whether it be a specific directive or a general call to His ways over ours, we have a choice just as Jonah did. We can run toward God or attempt to flee His presence. The thing most of us forget in these overwhelming moments is this: only God has what we need. Only His presence brings peace, joy, power, and victory. As we seek His presence, we are strengthened for the call. Jonah missed this. We often miss this too.

{God, give me a resolve to follow You wherever You lead me. Help me to remember in my overwhelmed moments that You are good, powerful, and will provide everything I need to follow You in obedience.}

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Clarification

Follow the Hebrew study steps for additional words in Jonah 1:1–6. Check out the resource library at KatieOrr.me/Resources for a blank Hebrew worksheet.

Work through the Bonus Study Week in the appendix (if you haven't already).



UTILIZATION

[FOCUSING ON JONAH 1:1–6]

My son, do not despise the LORD's discipline or be weary of his reproof, for the LORD reproves him whom he loves, as a father the son in whom he delights.

—Proverbs 3:11–12

IMAGINE A WORLD where the correction of wrong actions and attitudes are always withheld. If you really think about it, this scenario is terrifying. Cars, buildings, and airplanes would be death traps because their designers never correct any flaws. Food would be unsafe because its manufacturers never adjust course, even if poison is introduced into the food supply. Computers and technology would never operate as advertised because the bugs would never be worked out.

No one likes to be corrected, but living in a world without correction is not an option. Correction is necessary for growth, progress, and safety. Correction, though, is about concern for the one who is out of line. We see this most clearly in parenting a young child. Only the most unloving parent refuses to correct a child facing danger. If a child you love is playing in traffic, your natural response is correction. Withholding correction, in this case, would be equal to hatred.

Over and over in the Book of Jonah, we see the corrective hand of God. Just like a loving parent, our Heavenly Father brings needed correction into Jonah's life—not out of condemnation but out of love.

1. Spend a few moments thanking God for His gracious hand of correction.

Discover the Connections

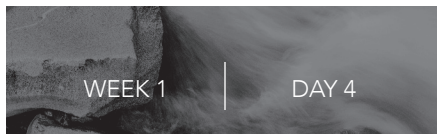
2. Read Jonah 1:1–6 to start your study.

It's time for our Utilization study, where we'll simply look up verses related to any word or phrase we want to learn more about. To do this, you can use the cross-referencing letters in your study Bible or online study tools. You can also use a Bible dictionary to look up people, places, and themes in the Bible. If your Bible doesn't have cross references, no worries. There are many free online tools and smart phone apps. Check out the resources page at KatieOrr.me/Resources for a list of cross-referencing tools. Plus, I'll always start you out with a few suggestions for your study.

3. Look up each of the following references, and take notes of any truths that reveal a bigger picture of the threads this verse is attached to. You might consider applying one or more of the FOCUS method steps to that passage, depending on the time you have for the day. I typically enjoy listing out truths I see, especially those that help me understand the original passage I'm studying. You can write out the passage in the space provided or even look up a Hebrew word or two in your interlinear Bible. Just do what interests you and what you have time for! There are additional reference ideas in the bonus study section at the beginning of this week's study.

come up before me (v. 2)

Genesis 18:20–21



Ezra 9:6

Revelation 18:5

away from the presence of the LORD (v. 3)

Genesis 4:16

Psalms 139:9–10

As a holy sovereign and judge, God will not be in the presence of sin. Justice must be served. Sin must be punished. This is why the life, death, and resurrection of Christ is such good news. His perfect life was enough to appease the debt our sin created. Through a relationship with Christ, where He becomes our righteousness, we can now enter into the holy presence of God without fear of judgment.

{God, my sin is great. I am so thankful for the way You created through Christ so that I can enjoy Your presence for eternity. Help me remember that I can run to You—even in my worst moments. You are waiting with open arms, full of grace.}

IF YOU
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TIME . . .

Utilization

Look up the following cross references and any additional words and/or phrases in this week's passage you would like to learn more about.

the LORD hurled a great wind upon the sea (v. 4)

Psalm 107:25

Psalm 147:15–18

Psalm 148:7–8

each cried out to his god (v. 5)

Psalm 107:6, 13, 19, 28

Work through the Bonus Study Week in the appendix (if you haven't already).



SUMMATION

[FOCUSING ON JONAH 1:1–6]

Where shall I go from your Spirit? Or where shall I flee from your presence?

—Psalm 139:7

DON'T YOU HATE it when a plan backfires? The words you meant to be comforting turn out to hurt a friend's feelings. The software update you thought would make your device run faster actually slows it down. The money-saving measure you take costs you more. We have all had those times when what we fear happens despite our best efforts to avoid it.

In Jonah 1, we see the prophet's plan backfire in extraordinary fashion. Jonah fears the Ninevites. He is afraid that if he goes to them they will reject his message and harm him, or accept his message and receive God's mercy. Jonah would like to avoid both of these outcomes. By running from God's assignment Jonah finds himself in danger anyway.

Anytime we seek to run from God's call we are not running away from danger but into it. Jonah believed he could choose to find safety on his own, rather than surrender to God's will.

1. Ask God to continue His work in your heart. Invite Him to search your heart and reveal any places that need changing.

Respond to God's Word

Today, let's take some time to slow down and digest what we've been learning by going through our Summation steps. Remember, this is when we begin to answer the question, "How should what I've learned affect me?"

IDENTIFY—Find the main idea of each passage.

2. Take a few moments to flip back to each day's study to review what you've learned this week. In the space provided, write out Jonah 1:1–6 in your own words. Or simply write out what you think the main idea of the passage is.

3. Read a commentary or study Bible to see how your observations from this week line up with the scholars. (You can find links to free online commentary options as well as in-print investment suggestions for your library at KatieOrr.me/Resources.) As you search commentaries, ask God to make clear the meaning of any passages that are fuzzy to you. Record any additional observations below.

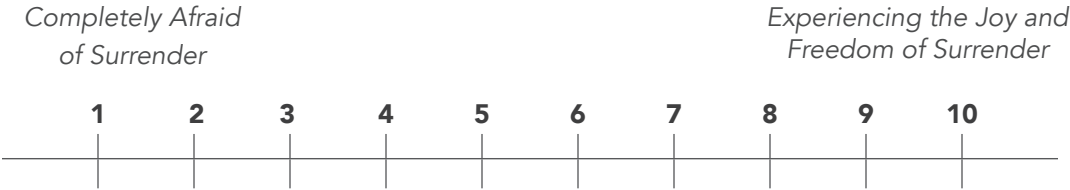
MODIFY—Evaluate my beliefs in light of the main idea.

Journal prayerfully through the following questions, asking the Spirit of God to enlighten and convict.

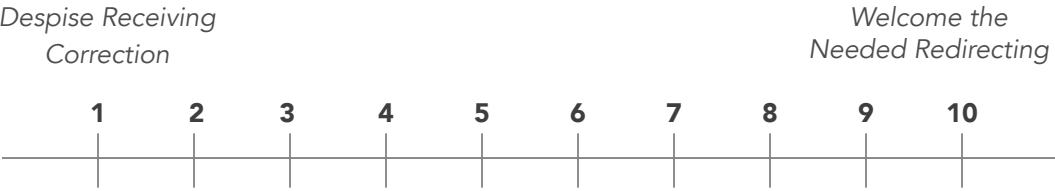
4. Do my attitudes and actions resemble Jonah's rebellion in any way?

5. Are my words consistent with my actions? If I say I trust and serve God, do my actions match that declaration?

6. What is my attitude toward surrendering all for God's purposes and glory?



7. What is my attitude toward correction from God?



GLORIFY—Align my life to reflect the truth of God's Word.

8. What situations am I currently struggling to trust God with and walk forward in obedience? (Consider asking a friend, spouse, and/or trusted mentor to pray for you in regards to this situation.)

9. What can I do this week to remind myself of God's goodness, trustworthiness, and sovereignty? (Some examples we enjoy: writing out verses to hang up around your home, taking some time to journal and/or pray and praise God for His past faithfulness in your life, intentionally spending time with a friend who will point you to God's goodness.)

{God, I am grateful for Your patience with me. I am more like Jonah than I care to admit. I shirk responsibility, forget that my life is not all about me, and ignore the reality of the lost. Holy Spirit, stir up in me a great awareness of Your work in and around me. By Your grace, I choose to walk forward in obedience and run to You, instead of away from You.}

IF YOU
HAVE MORE
TIME . . .

Summation

Spend additional time in commentaries.

Add a title to this section in your outline in the appendix on page 174.

Grab your journal and continue the conversation with God about what He is teaching you.

Share what you are learning with a trusted friend.

Ask them to pray for you as you apply what you've learned.

Work through the Bonus Study Week in the appendix (if you haven't already).

WEEK 1: POINTS TO PONDER

[FOCUSING ON JONAH 1:1–6]

Our actions reveal our true beliefs.

BY ATTEMPTING TO run away from God's assignment, Jonah was essentially trying to run from God. It was a common belief in Jonah's time that gods were merely regional deities, meaning gods were bound to a small geographic area or people. This was the view of the sailors who all cried out to their own gods (v. 5). Jonah may have known Yahweh was the one true God, but his actions indicate he was more like the sailors than he would care to admit.

God doesn't always immediately intervene.

Jonah most likely lived inland. We are told in verse three that Jonah went down to Joppa. Down does not refer to heading south on the map. This indicates going down in altitude, from higher elevations, which is what we find inland to the west of the Jordan River. This is relevant because it was a long walk from the mountainous plain of central Israel to the coast of the Mediterranean Sea at Joppa. If God wanted to stop Jonah He certainly could have done so before Jonah left town.

Disobedience is the opposite of obedience.

Tell me something I don't know, right? Tarshish was west of Israel, Nineveh was to the east. Jonah was not taking the scenic route; he was running as fast as he could in the opposite direction. Sin is always the opposite of going God's way.

Nothing happens by chance.

We are told in verse 4 that God hurled the wind onto the sea. This was no coincidental storm; it was the hand of God moving against Jonah. Our God is a God of details and is intricately acquainted with every moment of our lives.

You can't fix spiritual problems by physical means.

In verse 5 the sailors respond to the storm by jettisoning cargo from the ship. While this makes sense physically, it does not address the real problem—God was against them. No matter how much cargo they threw over the side of the boat, God was not going to

relent until Jonah learned the lesson. The issue was not a buoyancy problem but a sin problem. We can't fix our sin problem by physical means either. No amount of washing, giving, or serving can ever fix the problem caused by our sin. Only Jesus can fix our sin problem.

Hard hearts fail to honor God in many ways.

Not only was Jonah running from his assignment, he wasn't even attempting to minister to the crew. If anything you might think Jonah would try to start a ministry effort on the boat to make the point that many people are in need of God's mercy. However, Jonah demonstrates no such desire and is asleep when the storm hits. It is the sailors who have to remind Jonah to pray in the midst of that storm. If our hearts are hard toward God, this will usually come out in many areas of our lives.

WEEK 1: CHEAT SHEET

Day 2: Observation

2. Read Jonah 1:1–6, looking for all the actions of God and Jonah.

ACTIONS OF GOD

Sent a word to Jonah (v. 1)

Commissioned Jonah to bring a warning (v. 2)

Hurled a great wind on the sea that threatened to break up the ship (v. 4)

ACTIONS OF JONAH

Ran from the Lord, to Joppa, in opposite direction of what he was told (v. 3)

Hired a ship to take him to Tarshish (v. 3)

3. Now, look back at the actions of God you've observed. What do these actions reveal about who God is?

- *God is a merciful God. He brings warning to those who are perishing.*
- *God speaks to His people.*
- *God uses people to carry out His work. He chooses to use us in His great redemptive plan.*
- *God commands and controls the sea.*

Day 3: Clarification

4. Now, why don't you try it on your own? Use the above steps to look up the word *thought* in verse 6, and fill in the chart provided.

HEWBREW WORD:*ashath***VERSE AND VERSION:***Jonah 1:6 ESV*

Part of Speech:
(verb, noun, etc.)

verb

Translation Notes:

(How else is it translated? How often is this word used?)

Used two times; also translated as "shine"

Strong's Concordance Number:

H6245

Definition:

to recollect, to recall to mind

Notes:

act. favorably, formally, take notice, remember, or think about, i.e., deliver someone from danger as a figurative extension of a person seeing and responding to a situation [James Swanson, Dictionary of Biblical Languages with Semantic Domains: Hebrew (Old Testament). Oak Harbor: Logos Research Systems, Inc., 1997.]