

Series: The Missionary Prophet
Title: Submitting to God's Will
Text: Jonah 2
Thesis: The Purpose of Discipline

Recap Chapter 1: Running from God's Will

The Commission of Jonah: Vs 1-2

The Flight of Jonah: Vs 3

Jonah had the wrong Attitude toward...

God's will: Thought it was optional

Witnessing: Thought he could turn it Off/On

His Enemies: Thought he could choose for others.

The Pursuit of Jonah: Vs 4-16

Jonah lost God's Voice (Is 59:1-2)

Jonah lost the Power of the Holy Spirit (Eph 4:30)

Jonah lost his desire to Pray: Vs 5

Jonah Lost his Testimony: Vs 10

Jonah Lost his Reason: Vs 12

(1 Sam 15:25) *Rebellion is as the Sin of Witchcraft*

Chapter 2: The Submission to God's Will

(Heb 12:5-12) God disciplines His children for our good.

(Heb 12:5-6) He Rebukes us: (Ch 1:10)

He Chastens us: (Ch 1:4,13)

He Scourges us: (Ch 1:17)

(Heb 12:7-9) Discipline Reveals our Sonship (Ch1:9)

Discipline Renews our Worship (Ch 2:9)

(Heb 12:10-11) Discipline makes us partakers of his holiness

(Chap 1:17) This Literally Happened! *How do we know?*

(Matt 12:39-41) Because Jesus said to happened.

(Ps 119:67) *Before I was afflicted I went astray: **but now** have I kept thy word.* (Affliction can bring about Obedience)

(Ps 119:71) *It is good for me that I have been **AFFLICTED**; **that I might learn thy statutes.***

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The Helplessness of Jonah: (Vs 1-3)

Vs 1 "Then" - It took 3days & 3nights to break Jonah's will.
(Lk 15:15-20) The Prodigal Son!

Vs 1 "Jonah Prayed" - to his astonishment, he was still alive.

Vs 2 "And said, I cried by reason of mine affliction unto the

Vs 3 "thou hadst cast me into the deep"

"all thy billows and thy waves passed over me"

Don't fall in to the trap of blaming God. (1 Cor 10:13)

The Repentance of Jonah: (Vs 4-5)

I am cast out, "I admit that I broke fellowship"

Yet I will look "Yet I know God is rich in Mercy."

Restoration is God's Purpose for Discipline (2 Chron 6:36-29)

Vs 6 All of this, and "YET"

The Revival of Jonah: (Vs 7-9)

How are we to respond to God's Chastening?

We can Resist it. (Acts 7:51)

We can Surrender to it

Vs 9 But I will sacrifice unto thee with the voice of thanksgiving; I will pay that that I have vowed.

Here is the key to **Victory!** (Gal 2:20) Not my life, but His!
Here is the key to **Revival!** (2 Chron 7:14) I will turn!

But I will sacrifice unto thee with the voice of thanksgiving;

I will admit my sin - I will apologize to God for my sin

Brokenness Is the desired result

(Ps 34:18) *The LORD is nigh unto them that are of a broken heart; and saveth such as be of a contrite spirit.*

(Ps 51:17) *The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise.*

1. Don't Blame God
2. In Sorrow, Agree with God @ your personal sinfulness
3. Ask God to Forgive you
4. Turn from you Sinful ways
5. In Brokenness, Surrender your will to do God's Will
6. Praise Him for His for His Grace and Mercy

Are you, to the best of your knowledge, Right with God?

Lost: Today is the day to humble your pride, PRAY!

Confess your sin, turn from your sin, & embrace God's Mercy & Receive God's Forgiveness, & He WILL SAVE YOU!

Saved: If you are At odds with God today.

Its time to get completely honest with God.

Its time to agree with God's verdict about your sin.

Its time to confess all known sin

Its time to claim forgiveness, & thank God for it.

Is this you?

Are you willing to do anything God asks you to do?

Is God first in your plans? Are you guilty of prayerlessness?

Have you neglected your daily bible reading?

Have you forgiven everyone that has wronged you?

Are you willing to ask forgiveness of those you have wronged?

Are you impatient? Are you irritable? Are you offended easily?

Do your hurt feelings keep you from faithfulness to God?

Have you been angry lately? Are you bearing a grudge?

Have you Blown up at someone recently?

Have you been dishonest with God in anyway?

Have you broken a pledge to God or your family?

What about Covetousness? Have you spread gossip?

Have you paid your debts to others?

Is there anything YOU will not give up for Christ?

Have I talked about someone else's faults?

Is this you? Why does it take a Whale?

Affliction made Jonah ready to GET RIGHT and DO RIGHT!

The Deliverance of Jonah: (Vs 10) After Jonah got right with

God, he was able to disembark the Whale.

Are you ready to Park your whale at the Altar this morning?

Are you ready to be free from the bondage of sin?

Are you ready to walk free in submission to Christ?

LET'S PARK THE WHALE AND GET OUT.

1. Don't Blame God

2. In Sorrow, Agree with God @ your Personal Sinfulness

3. Ask God to Forgive you

4. Promise/Purpose to Turn from you Sinful ways

5. In Brokenness, Surrender your will to do God's Will

6. Praise Him for His for His Grace and Mercy