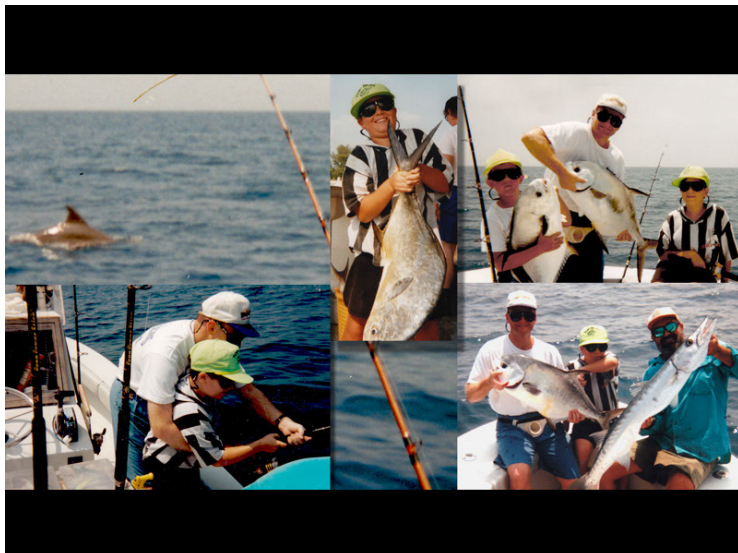


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“Prayer is both recognition and resolve to embrace the supremacy and sufficiency of God in all the circumstances and outcomes of my life.”

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“If you take the miraculous out of the Bible, you remove God.”

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“While the storyline is so simple that children follow it readily, the story is marked by as high a degree of literary sophistication as any book in the Hebrew Bible.” —Mark Futato

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“The book of Jonah is about the will of God and how we respond to it. It is also about the love of God and how to share it with others.”
—Warren Wiersbe

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Hear the Story of Jonah

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Jonah 1:1-16

Scene 1: Jonah Running From God

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¹Now the word of the LORD came to Jonah the son of Amittai, saying, ²“Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and call out against it, for their evil has come up before me.”

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³But Jonah rose to flee to Tarshish from the presence of the LORD. He went down to Joppa and found a ship going to Tarshish. So he paid the fare and went down into it, to go with them to Tarshish, away from the presence of the LORD.

—Jonah 1:1-3 ESV

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Jonah 1:17–2:10

Scene 2: Jonah Running into God

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⁷When my life was fainting away, I remembered the LORD, and my prayer came to You, into Your holy temple.
⁸Those who pay regard to vain idols forsake their hope of steadfast love.
⁹But I with the voice of thanksgiving will sacrifice to You; what I have vowed I will pay. Salvation belongs to the LORD!" —Jonah 2:7-9 ESV

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⁷Where shall I go from Your Spirit?
 Or where shall I flee from Your presence? ⁸If I ascend to heaven, You are there! If I make my bed in Sheol, You are there! ⁹If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, ¹⁰even there Your hand shall lead me, and Your right hand shall hold me.

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¹¹If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover me, and the light about me be night," ¹²even the darkness is not dark to You; the night is bright as the day, for darkness is as light with You.
 —Psalm 139:7-12 ESV

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Jonah 3:1-3
 Scene 3: Jonah Running With God

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Why fast?

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Jonah 4:1-4
 Scene 4: Jonah Tries to Run God

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¹But it displeased Jonah exceedingly, and he was angry. ²And he prayed to the LORD and said, "O LORD, is not this what I said when I was yet in my country? That is why I made haste to flee to Tarshish; for I knew that You are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, and relenting from disaster."

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³Therefore now, O LORD, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live." ⁴And the LORD said, "Do you do well to be angry?"

—Jonah 4:1-4 ESV

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"As the story ends, we can't do anything about Jonah's decisions, but we can do something about our own."

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Heed the Testimony of Jonah


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Heed the Testimony of Jonah
God is Sovereign

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Heed the Testimony of Jonah
God is Faithful

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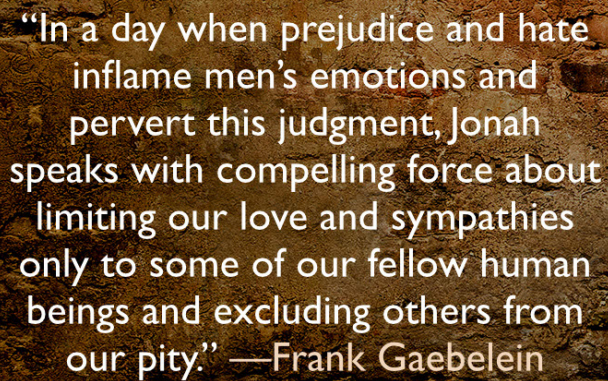
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God is Merciful

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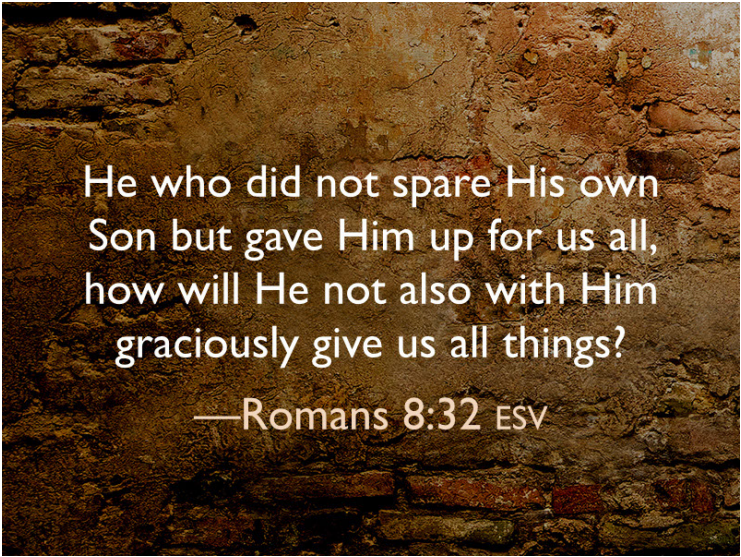
Heed the Testimony of Jonah
God is Impartial

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“In a day when prejudice and hate
inflame men’s emotions and
pervert this judgment, Jonah
speaks with compelling force about
limiting our love and sympathies
only to some of our fellow human
beings and excluding others from
our pity.” —Frank Gaebelein

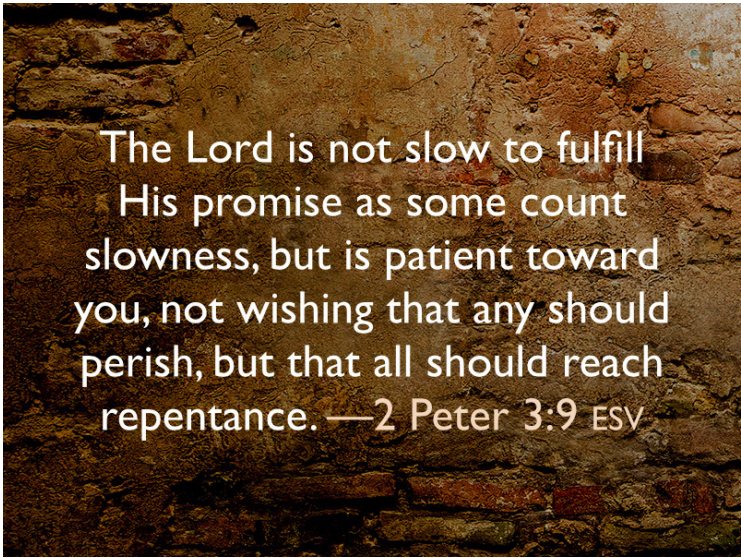
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He who did not spare His own
Son but gave Him up for us all,
how will He not also with Him
graciously give us all things?

—Romans 8:32 ESV

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The Lord is not slow to fulfill
His promise as some count
slowness, but is patient toward
you, not wishing that any should
perish, but that all should reach
repentance. —2 Peter 3:9 ESV

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