

Questions for further Study

Read Jonah Chapter 1

1. What questions does reading through chapter 1 'throw up' for you?

2. Jonah was an unwilling prophet given an assignment which he didn't want to do. He chose to run away from God rather than obey Him. Have you ever found yourself wanting to turn and run away rather than obey God?

3. Read verses 5-6. How do you think Jonah was able to sleep through the storm? Why do you think this detail is included?

Some people have compared Jonah sleeping during a crisis to the church in the 21st century. What do you think about this?

4. "There is no such thing as 'secret sin', it has far reaching effects on ourselves and others." Do you agree with this statement? How did Jonah's disobedience affect others?

5. Jonah had good reason not to want to go to Nineveh (they were Israel's enemies). What or who would be your 'Nineveh' and why wouldn't you want to go and share the good news with them?

Read Matt. 5:44, Luke 6:27, Luke 6:35 and spend some time praying for those who we might consider our Ninevites.

