

God's Heart for the Whole World Wrap-Up & Next Steps

JONAH

1) Who is the real Hero and Focus of the Book of Jonah?

* God, the Hound of Heaven, who finds a way to extend His grace to _____ in the story!

→ Jonah 1: The pagan _____ get in on God's grace

→ Jonah 2: _____ gets in on God's grace

→ Jonah 3: The _____ get in on God's grace

2) But it's not enough for God to accomplish His purpose in the world, is it?

→ Jonah 4: God not only wants to accomplish His purpose in the world _____ us; He also wants to download His heart for the world _____ us

3) God's Last Word in the Story?

* "Should I not be _____ about that great city?"

~ Jonah 4:11

"Here God takes upon Himself the evil of Nineveh. He bears the weight of its sin. God chooses to suffer in place of Nineveh. His tears flow instead of theirs. Someday He will even choose to die for Nineveh."

~ James Bruckner

Reflections on sharing God's "concern" for those in our world

- 1) What if we all wore the 'Can I _____ You?' lanyard?
- 2) What if our greatest act of worship on Sunday didn't happen in the _____?
- 3) What if walking through the front doors of our church felt a little more like walking into a _____?
- 4) What if we all viewed ourselves as _____ to our neighborhoods?
- 5) What if we all began _____ for God to open doors with our neighbors?
- 6) What if we all looked for ways to build _____ with our neighbors?
- 7) What if we all took advantage of the power of the _____?
- 8) What if we all jumped on board with what God is doing in _____?
- 9) What if we all lived as though reaching out to the _____ is an essential part of becoming a fully formed follower of Jesus?

Response Time:

- 1) Ask God if there's one or two of these questions He wants you to focus in on.
- 2) Jot down any notes, ideas or ways to respond that the Lord impresses upon you.