

"JONAH"

Week 4

Reading and Discussion:

Read Jonah chapter 4 together, either taking turns or having one person read aloud.

Discussion Questions:

- 1. What stands out to you in this chapter?
- 2. Why do you think Jonah became angry when God showed compassion to the people of Nineveh?
- 3. God asked Jonah twice, "Is it right for you to be angry?" According to James 4:1-4, why do we become angry?
- 4. Does Jonah's attitude towards the plant that provided him shade reflect his attitude towards the people of Nineveh?
- 5. The plant God provided gave Jonah temporary happiness. As soon as the plant was taken away, Jonah became angry again. What is the difference between joy and happiness?
- 6. What does God's response to Jonah teach us about His character and His love for ALL people?
- 7. In what ways can we relate to Jonah's struggle with God's sovereignty and mercy?
- 8. What do you tend to turn to when you are feeling depressed?
- 9. How does Jonah's story challenge us to examine our own heart towards others?

Action Steps:

- What's your next step? What is God calling you to do?
- Invite 3 "unchurched" people to church this Sunday!

Important announcements:

• We will be honoring our Mothers this Sunday with a stand alone message for Mamas!

