

### **Chapter 1.**

1. What did the pagan sailors know about the LORD? How did they act with the knowledge they had?
  - a. What did Jonah know about the LORD? How did he act with his knowledge?
  - b. Is there any indication that even Jonah's knowledge of God was incomplete? (think about how he acted)
  
2. Is the "fish" the mercy of God or the judgment of God?

### **Chapter 2.**

- a. Does Jonah think the Fish is God's punishment or God's mercy?
- b. Do you think that Jonah is Genuinely repentant before God?

### **Chapter 3**

1. What is the great surprise in verse 4-5? Why?
2. Verses 6-10 outline the reaction of the Ninevites in detail. Do you think it was genuine? Why?
3. What should Jonah's reaction be to the Ninevites repentance?

### **Optional discussion:**

In verse 10 of chapter 3 God has compassion on Nineveh and doesn't destroy the city. Does that mean that God never intended to destroy the city? Does God ever change his mind?

Compare these references:

Isaiah 46:10, Prov 19:21, Ephesians 1:4-5, 11.

Exodus 32:7-14, Jeremiah 18:5-10

4. Is God totally sovereign, knowing the end from the beginning and deciding what happens, or can we change his mind by the way we act and pray?
5. What are the implications for our Christian lives? Are your conclusions a comfort or a discomfort?