



CPC Community Group Questions

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Jonah 1

1. Have you ever sensed that God wanted you to do something for Him that was so out of the box that you ran the other way?
2. Why do you think Jonah ran away from God? (vv. 1-3) What character traits of God can we fall back on to help us when we are tempted to run away?
3. Mark tells us the reason Jonah ran from God was due to his self-righteousness about his religion. How does the Gospel of Jesus Christ cut through religion and self-righteousness?
4. What does it say about God for Him to use a storm to turn people back to Him? (vv. 4-6)

5. What does Jonah's confession in verse 9 tell us about Jonah starting to come around to God's will? (vv. 7-10)

6. Discuss this quote: *"When we fear God we don't have to fear anything else."*

7. What evidence do we see through these events that God changed the sailors? (vv. 11-16)

8. Has God ever used unbelievers in your life to get your attention? How so?

9. How does Jesus use the story of Jonah to explain his own ministry? (Luke 11:29-32; Matthew 12:40)

10. Mark compared ancient Nineveh to the Bay Area. Can you identify a task that God might be designing for you so you can share the grace of God with people in need in your corner of the Bay Area?