



## Sermon Discussion Questions // Face to Face with Grace - Jonah 2:1-10

- How has the story of Jonah impacted you so far in this study?
- In what ways do you feel you are like Jonah? In what ways are you different?
- Have you experienced a “rock bottom” moment like Jonah?
- Do you struggle with the idea that God may punish us for disobedience and sin?
- Are you tempted to explain away sinfulness as something that needs treatment, not punishment?
- In what ways is that perspective (that sin needs treatment, not punishment) helpful? How is it harmful?
- Do you struggle with the idea that we are completely powerless to help ourselves or to rescue ourselves from our sin?
- Pastor Joey said “the cost of your salvation is always paid by someone else.” Do you agree? How does that statement affect the way you think of your own salvation from sin?
- Jonah condemns idol-worshippers as those who have forsaken the grace God wants to offer them. In what ways do we continue to worship idols, things other than God? How does that affect our view of God’s grace?
- Pastor Joey shared three diagnostic questions:
  - a. Do you look at yourself and see someone who is “evil,” not just misguided or confused?
  - b. Do you look at yourself and see someone who is powerless, who can do nothing to save themselves?
  - c. Do you look at God’s forgiveness and use it as an excuse to do what you want, or do you see how much his forgiveness cost him?
- How could Jonah’s experience of prayer in the belly of the fish shape your own prayers?