

Jonah: The Sovereignty of God in Anger

Jonah 4

Introduction:

When you think about the times you were most angry, you probably recognize that emotion does not bring out the best in you. Jonah's anger revealed much about his selfishness. However, God's questions diffused the situation and demonstrates that *Anger Is Rooted in...*

I. God's P_____ (vv. 1-4)

“Get up! Go to the great city of Nineveh and preach against it, because their wickedness has confronted Me.”
Jonah 1:2

“Then the LORD passed in front of him and proclaimed: ‘Yahweh —Yahweh is a compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger and rich in faithful love and truth,⁷ maintaining faithful love to a thousand generations, forgiving wrongdoing, rebellion, and sin. But He will not leave the guilt ye unpunished, bringing the consequences of the fathers' wrongdoing on the children and grandchildren to the third and fourth generation.’”

Exodus 34:6-7

“For My thoughts are not your thoughts,
and your ways are not My ways.’

This is the LORD's declaration.

⁹“For as heaven is higher than earth,
so My ways are higher than your ways,
and My thoughts than your thought.’”

Isaiah 55:8-9

Walking
Point:

Check Your P_____!

II. God's P_____ (vv. 5-9a)

“For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.” Romans 3:23

“Then the LORD answered Job from the whirlwind. He said:

²Who is this who obscures My counsel with ignorant words?

³Get ready to answer Me like a man; when I question you, you will inform Me.

⁴Where were you when I established the earth?

Tell Me, if you have understanding.

⁵Who fixed its dimensions? Certainly you know!

Who stretched a measuring line across it?

⁶What supports its foundations?

Or who laid its cornerstone...” Job 38:1-6

Walking Point:

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III. God’s P _____ (vv. 9b-11)

“He will have pity on the poor and helpless and save the lives of the poor.” Psalm 72:13

“Carefully follow them, for this will show your wisdom and understanding in the eyes of the peoples. When they hear about all these statutes, they will say, ‘This great nation is indeed a wise and understanding people.’ ⁷For what great nation is there that has a god near to it as the LORD our God is to us whenever we call to Him?” Deuteronomy 4:6-7

Walking Point:

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“This is good, and it pleases God our Savior, ⁴who wants everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.” 1 Timothy 2:3-4