

Glenwood Baptist Church

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WHAT'S EATING JONAH?

Lesson Four • Jonah 4

"When Will We Ever Learn?"

The "Missionary Problem" is a HEART problem:

What's Eating Jonah?

A heart that resents God's great COMPASSION for sinners.

We Will Learn to Reflect God's Heart of Compassion...

1. WHEN OUR HEARTS ARE TENDER LIKE THE HEART OF OUR GREAT LORD! (4:1-3)

- Jonah knew all about the Lord's great COMPASSION!
- Jonah knew the Lord, but did not want to BE LIKE Him in relation to the lost!

2. WHEN OUR HEARTS ARE TAUGHT THE GREAT LESSON BY OUR GREAT LORD! (4:4-8)

The Preparations for the Object Lesson

- God prepared a PLANT. (4:6)
- God prepared a WORM. (4:7)
- God prepared an EAST WIND. (4:8)

The Revelations of the Object Lesson

Jonah's heart was...

- Filled with pity for SELF.
- Fixed on MATERIAL things.
- Focused on TEMPORAL values.
- Fervent about PLEASING self.

God's heart is...

- Filled with pity for SINNERS.
- Fixed on SPIRITUAL things.
- Focused on ETERNAL values.
- Fervent about SAVING others.

3. WHEN OUR HEARTS ARE TRANSFORMED BY THE GREAT LOVE OF OUR GREAT LORD! (4:9-11)

- Sad but true, Jonah still did not learn the great lesson! (4:9)
- Odd but true, God still did not give up on His hard-hearted prophet and people! (4:10-11)

Did Jonah Ever Learn the Great Lesson?

Will We Ever Learn the Great Lesson of the Book of Jonah?



WHERE IS YOUR HEART THIS MORNING?

Does it resent God's great compassion for sinners?

STOP RESISTING and LET GOD FILL YOUR HEART with HIS GREAT COMPASSION for HIS GREAT COMMISSION!