



## #3 Message

### Jonah 3:1-10 (ESV)

#### JONAH GOES TO NINEVEH

**Jonah 3:1** Then the word of the LORD came to Jonah the second time, saying, <sup>2</sup> “Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and call out against it the message that I tell you.” <sup>3</sup> So Jonah arose and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly great city, three days’ journey in breadth. <sup>4</sup> Jonah began to go into the city, going a day’s journey. And he called out, “Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!” <sup>5</sup> And the people of Nineveh believed God. They called for a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them to the least of them.

#### THE PEOPLE OF NINEVEH REPENT

**Jonah 3:6** The word reached the king of Nineveh, and he arose from his throne, removed his robe, covered himself with sackcloth, and sat in ashes. <sup>7</sup> And he issued a proclamation and published through Nineveh, “By the decree of the king and his nobles: Let neither man nor beast, herd nor flock, taste anything. Let them not feed or drink water, <sup>8</sup> but let man and beast be covered with sackcloth, and let them call out mightily to God. Let everyone turn from his evil way and from the violence that is in his hands. <sup>9</sup> Who knows? God may turn and relent and turn from his fierce anger, so that we may not perish.” <sup>10</sup> When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil way, God relented of the disaster that he had said he would do to them, and he did not do it.

- **II Kings 14:25** says Jonah was a prophet from **GALILEE**  
**John 7:52** They replied, “Are you from Galilee too? Search and see that no prophet arises from Galilee.”
- Jonah’s name means **DOVE OR MESSENGER OF PEACE**
- The Dove is a picture of the **HOLY SPIRIT**
- **John 15:26** “But when the Helper comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, He will testify of Me.”

“The greatest hindrance to the gospel is the Christian’s lack of confidence in the gospel” – *Thabiti Anyabwile*

- **Romans 1:16** For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek.

*Is there **EVIDENCE** in my life that I have an **unshakable CONFIDENCE** in and **COMMITMENT** to the Gospel?*

#### 7 Marks of a Gospel Confident Life

1. I position myself around people who **DO NOT KNOW JESUS**
2. I share the Gospel **SLOWLY AND CLEARLY**
3. I **STUDY** the Gospel in **DEEP AND VARIED** ways
4. I talk to people about the gospel to **OPEN THEIR EYES** and transfer **INFORMATION**
5. I ask myself, am I confident in **MY SKILL** or in the **POWER** of the message
6. There are times when I erupt in **THANKSGIVING, PRAISE AND WORSHIP**
7. I am more fearful of being **UNFAITHFUL** than I am of being **UNFRUITFUL**

#### BIBLE READING PLAN

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Sunday: Psalms 11    | <input type="checkbox"/> Thursday: Psalms 15 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Monday: Psalms 12    | <input type="checkbox"/> Friday: Psalms 16   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tuesday: Psalms 13   | <input type="checkbox"/> Saturday: Psalms 17 |
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