



Second Quarter/Five of Thirteen Sundays

ALL ABOUT THE BOOKS OF THE BIBLE

Book 32 JONAH

Key Teachings About God

- ♦ *God delights in giving second chances to those who take steps in the right direction.*
- ♦ *God's compassion is not earned.*
- ♦ *God is interested in response from people who encounter him.*

Key Verses

- ♦ *Jonah 3:10: "When God saw . . . how they turned from their evil ways, he had compassion and did not bring upon them the destruction he had threatened."*
- ♦ *Jonah 4:10-11: "You have been concerned about this vine, though you did not tend it or make it grow. . . Should I not be concerned about that great city [Nineveh]?"*

Key Concepts

- ♦ *Much of the significance of the book depends on understanding that the Ninevite response is superficial, yet God responds anyway.*
- ♦ *Jonah is put in Nineveh's shoes in order for the book to make its point about God's compassion being undeserved.*
- ♦ *Jonah is not a missionary, he is a prophet.*
- ♦ *Jonah's message is of judgment, not instruction or hope.*

Mission Project

Barbara Duke is associational WMU mission action director and asks you to collect needs for missionaries Joe and Linda Ledford serving in Chilhowie Association, Townsend, TN. The Ledfords minister to around 800 children and youth.

Supplies needed are: handy wipes, Clorox wipes, hand cleanser pumps, pocket Kleenex wipes, new Bible story books and new whole Bibles. This mission project will continue through April. You may drop off your supplies at the association office or place them in the box in the foyer of our church.

34th Associational Annual Music School

Grace Baptist Church
Feb. 14, 15, 17, 18
7-8:30 pm

Music: *Loving the Lamb*

Cost for books: \$6
CD: \$5

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Happy New Year!