

DISCUSSION GUIDE

JONAH – MAN ON THE RUN

JONAH 1:1-16

River Ridge Core Value:

LIVING GOD’S WAY IS BEST and AN EMPTY SEAT IS A SERIOUS THING

Getting Started:

1. Tell about a time when something you owned broke that really impacted you.
2. What stood out to you most from this message? Were there any questions that you had after listening to Andy’s message?

Watch Session 2 of The Book of Jonah on Right Now Media

3. How do Jonah’s actions demonstrate what Eric called a “demotion” as the prophet ran from God?
4. What does God’s willingness to intervene in our idolatry teach us about His character? What are some of the things that compete with God’s call for our attention?
5. What has God broken up in your life to draw you back to Himself? What might He be breaking up today for your good? How does God doing this sit with you?
6. How does one “wake up” spiritually? What does ignoring God’s wakeup call lead to?

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7. Why is it important that our lives actively reflect what we believe? How have you worked to make the connection between belief and action in your own life? Where could you improve?
8. What are the consequences for failing to make the connection? How does Jonah’s story teach us ways in which our disobedience affects others?
9. What are some adjectives you would use to describe Jonah’s inner life according to v. 10-16?
10. In contrast to Jonah, how do the sailors respond?
11. What does the passage teach us about the character of God?

Prayer:

Invite God to bring to the surface those areas of your heart where you are resisting His desires for your life. Make that the central theme of your prayer throughout this coming week.