

1. God is not looking to destroy; He's looking to save.
2. 1:3 Jonah had a great deal to learn about the Lord; he had a very narrow view of God's mercy.
3. 1:3 The will of God is not an option; it is an obligation. But it is also always an opportunity.
4. 1:3 How you respond to the will of God for your life determines the extent to which He will use you.
5. 1:12 Jonah did not ask them to turn the boat around, to take him back to where he was supposed to be. He would rather have died than carry out the direction God gave him.
6. 1:16 Those on the boat who did not follow God made a faith decision...in spite of Jonah.
7. 1:17 God's purposes will not be prevented by the actions of disobedient people trying to get around His will.
8. 1:17 God loves us too much to let us run; therefore, He disciplines (Hebrews 12:1-11) and keeps working on us until we yield.
9. 2:1-2 Jonah viewed the fish as salvation from death and proof that God intervened to bring him back.
10. 2:1 God did not treat him as his sins deserved but showed him grace.
11. 3:4 Jonah's heart was far from God's love for the very people to whom he had been sent.
12. 3:5 Clearly God was in Nineveh ahead of Jonah, preparing the hearts of the people to hear the Word of the Lord.

