



JONAH

BENEATH THE SURFACE

OUR GOD OF WRATH AND GRACE
February 21, 2021 - Discussion Guide

WORSHIP

Read Psalm 103:6-12 aloud. Take a moment to reflect on God's Word and center in Him.

FELLOWSHIP

When have you been shown mercy recently?

DISCUSSION

Watch this [sermon overview video](#) to refresh your group on this week's message. Then discuss the questions below.

1. Read Jonah 3.

-What surprises or stands out to you in this chapter?

-What does this passage teach us about repentance?

-What does it reveal about God?

2. In this season of Lent, fasting is a common practice for Christians. Donald Whitney writes, "As repentance is a change of mind resulting in a change of action, fasting can represent more than just grief over sin. It can also signal a commitment to obedience and a new direction."¹

-What do you think about Whitney's understanding of repentance and fasting?

-Is there a change or new direction that God is calling you to?
How can you move toward Him during this Lenten season?

3. Do you believe that repentance and even revival on a large scale are possible today? How would it look for you to pray and live as if no one were beyond the grace of God?

4. Pastor Mike named some of the many challenges we're currently facing and encouraged us to be resilient. Take some extra time to check in with each other today:

-How are you doing?

-Are there challenges you're currently facing that your group can pray with you about or help with?

-Where are you seeing God at work in your life or in our world?

-What does "the next faithful step" look like for you this week?

PRAYER

Ask for prayer requests; try to remember any needs that came up during the fellowship or discussion time. Check in on requests from last week, if you can. Does anyone have a practical need that another group member may be able to help with?

Pray for group, church, and community needs.