



# JONAH

## BENEATH THE SURFACE

### **PATTERNS OF LOVE AND SUBSTITUTION**

February 7, 2021 - Discussion Guide

#### **WORSHIP**

Read Psalm 15 aloud. Take a moment to reflect on God's Word and center in Him.

#### **FELLOWSHIP**

What was the highlight of your week?

## DISCUSSION

1. How likely are you to take responsibility for your actions? What might keep someone from taking the blame for a mistake?

2. Read Jonah 1:11-17.

-How do you interpret Jonah's words in v. 12?

-Where do you see the concept of accountability in this passage?

-What happens to Jonah and to the sailors after he's thrown overboard?

-What does this passage tell us about God?

3. Why is the sacrifice of Jonah necessary? Why is the sacrifice of Jesus necessary?

4. When have you experienced sacrificial love?

5. Read 1 John 4:7-12.

-How can you soak in God's love this week?

-How can you love others sacrificially 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.