

God Will Bring His Plan to Completion



MEMORY VERSE: "I know the greatness of the Lord...The Lord does whatever pleases Him throughout all heaven and earth, and on the seas and in their depths."
Psalm 135:5-6

DAY 1 JONAH 1-4 — God's Sovereignty

1. Review the following verses:

Jonah 1:4; 1:17; 2:10; 4:6; 4:7; Jonah 4:8

How is God's sovereignty and control revealed in these verses?

2. What did Jonah reveal to you about the measures God will go to to accomplish His purposes?

3. Read Proverbs 3:5-6. How would trusting God and knowing that He is in control change how you live your life?

DAY 2 JONAH 1-4 — God's Mercy

4. How did God show Jonah mercy to:
Sailors

Ninevites

Jonah

5. God is concerned about every nation and individual. How does John 3:16-17 add to your understanding of God's mercy?

6. What does Hebrews 4:16 say to you?

DAY 3 JONAH 1-4 — God's Provision

7. From studying Jonah, what have you learned about:
God's love? See Romans 8:38-39.

God's power? See Matthew 19:26.

God's faithfulness? See Deuteronomy 31:8.

God's taking care of you? See 1 Peter 5:7.

DAY 4 JONAH 1-4 — God's Message Is for the Whole World

8. What instructions did Jesus give to His disciples and to us? See Mark 16:15.

9. What does 2 Corinthians 5:20 tell you?

10. How is it easier to love others when you love God?

11. Everyone needs Jesus - Why do we not tell them?

DAY 5 JONAH 1-4 — Wrap Up

12. Why do you think God reported this true story in the Bible?

13. What part of Jonah made the most impact on you? Why

TAKE AWAY

Honestly assess how much you allow the Bible to influence the way you live. Make a written commitment to improve in this area. Let God counsel you, and trust his plans for your life.

BLESSING

“No one is Holy like the Lord! There is no rock like our God!”
1 Samuel 2:2

When God called Jonah, he could not see beyond his own selfish desire for God to punish the Assyrians. How could God want him to take a message of mercy to such people? He immediately fled in the opposite direction. Through his flight to Tarshish, his shipwreck, and his time in the great fish, Jonah was convinced in a powerful way that all salvation comes from the Lord (Jonah 2:9). And because of God's supreme power, only God decides where to pour out His salvation and His mercy (4:11).

God wants our desires to align with His. We can even go through the motions of following God's will but that doesn't mean our hearts are aligned with His. God wanted Jonah's actions and his heart. He wants ours as well.