

Jonah Preaches At Nineveh

Jonah 3

Intro: After his frightening experience in the belly of the great fish, Jonah is given a second chance to obey God's mandate to go to Nineveh and deliver a message of God's impending judgment. Jonah delivers God's message of judgment and the entire city repents—they turned from their wicked ways and petitioned God for mercy. God graciously spared the people of Nineveh from judgment (3:10).

First Episode: Jonah's Commissioning and Flight (1:1-3)

Second Episode: Jonah and the Pagan Sailors (1:4-16)

Third Episode: Jonah's Psalm of Thanksgiving (1:17–2:10)

Fourth Episode: Jonah's Recommissioning And Compliance (3:1-3a)

A. God's command to preach (vv. 1-2)

B. Jonah's trip to Nineveh (v. 3)

Fifth Episode: Jonah and the Pagan Ninevites (3:3b-10)

A. Jonah's proclamation of divine judgment (v. 4)

“Yet forty days and Nineveh will be overthrown!”

B. Nineveh's repentance (vv. 5-10)

1. The repentance of the people (v. 5)

2. The repentance of the king (vv. 6-9)

3. The reaction of God (v. 10)

Conclusion:

Seven Episodes in Jonah

7 Jonah's lesson about compassion (4:5-11) God: "Should I not pity the Ninevites?"	
3 Jonah's grateful prayer (1:17-2:10) <i>How does Jonah respond to God's grace toward him?</i>	6 Jonah's angry prayer (4:1-4) <i>How does Jonah respond to God's grace toward others?</i>
2 Jonah and the pagan sailors (1:4-16) <i>How responsive are the pagan sailors?</i>	5 Jonah and the pagan Ninevites (3:3b-10) <i>How responsive are the pagan Ninevites?</i>
1 Jonah's commissioning and flight (1:1-3) <i>What will happen to Jonah?</i>	4 Jonah's recommissioning & compliance (3:1-3a) <i>What will happen to the Ninevites?</i>

Outline

- A Jonah's Commissioning and Flight (1:1-3)
 - B Jonah and the Pagan Sailors (1:4-16)
 - C Jonah's Grateful Prayer (1:17-2:10)
- A' Jonah's Recommissioning and Compliance (3:1-3a)
 - B' Jonah and the Pagan Ninevites (3:3b-10)
 - C' Jonah's Angry Prayer (4:1-4)
- D Jonah's Lesson About Compassion (4:5-11)
 - God: "Should I Not Pity the Ninevites?"**