



**Series: The Minor Prophets**

**Lesson: 25. Jonah, pt. 3 – Compassion  
for the Lost**

**Passage: Jonah 4**

- Jonah's \_\_\_\_\_ Response & God's  
\_\_\_\_\_ Response

- Jonah reveals his main reason for fleeing before.
  - He knew God might save the Ninevites. (cf. Joel 2:13; Ex. 34:6–7)
  - He was actively working \_\_\_\_\_ what he thought God's will was.
  - He missed the point of Gen. 22:18a

*2 Pet. 3:9 – The Lord is not slow about His promise, as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing for any to perish but for all to come to repentance.*

- Why was Jonah so upset by the Ninevites salvation?

○ How is God being a good \_\_\_\_\_ to Jonah in this episode?

○ The moral of the story:

▪ \_\_\_\_\_ are the most precious commodity on earth.

▪ Our most important mission is always \_\_\_\_\_.

• **The \_\_\_\_\_ of This Story**

○ How many can you list?

## What Do We Do with This Text?

1. “Do [we] have a good reason to be \_\_\_\_\_?”

2. Do we have \_\_\_\_\_ for the lost?

*2 Tim. 2:25–26 – with gentleness correcting those who are in opposition, if perhaps God may grant them repentance leading to the knowledge of the truth, <sup>26</sup>and they may come to their senses and escape from the snare of the devil, having been held captive by him to do his will.*

*Matt. 9:36–38 – Seeing the people, He felt compassion for them, because they were distressed and dispirited like sheep without a shepherd. <sup>37</sup>Then He \*said to His disciples, “The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. <sup>38</sup>Therefore beseech the Lord of the harvest to send out workers into His harvest.”*

3. Do we see \_\_\_\_\_ in Jonah?

**Blanks:** Dramatic, Fatherly, against, parent, Human souls, the Gospel, Ironies, angry, compassion, ourselves