

Jonah: God Gives Jonah a Second Chance Jonah 1–4



God tells Jonah to go to Nineveh and tell the people there that they'll be destroyed. Jonah runs away instead and gets caught in a storm at sea and then swallowed by a fish. Jonah finally goes to Nineveh. When the people change their ways, God shows mercy, but Jonah doesn't.

God shows mercy even when we don't.



"O Lord, you have examined my heart and know everything about me" (Psalm 139:1).

Through the Week

- Work together to make a "fish fort" by building a blanket fort in a common area of your home.
- Throughout the week, when people need to pray about their attitudes, they can choose to go in the fish. (Don't send anyone to the fish—this should be self-awareness that they need help showing God's mercy.)
- When you're in the fish, pray about your attitude, just as Jonah did. Ask God to help you show mercy and let go of your bad attitude toward another person.



Talk About This...

- Tell an example from your life that reminds you what *mercy* means.