

The Book of Jonah – Chapter 1

1. Author: Jonah
2. Date: Ministered to the northern kingdom of Israel from about 810 BC to 790 BC.
3. Real or Parable? 2 Kings 14:25, Matt. 12:41, Luke 11:32
4. Message of book: God loves people and will go to great lengths to show them.
5. Theme of chapter 1: Jonah's rebellion against God (1:1-17)
 - A. These first 3 verses talk about Jonah disobeying God's call (1:1-3)
 - i. God told Jonah to go to Nineveh.
 - ii. Jonah fled to Joppa.
 - B. Verses 4-10 talk about Jonah becoming a curse instead of a blessing (1:4-10)
 - i. Sailors believed in a God for all situations.
 - ii. Sailors began to cast lots.
 - C. Jonah's rebellion against God and his suffering for his sin (1:11-17)
 - i. Sailors didn't want to throw Jonah overboard, so they tried to row back to the land.
 - D. Take Away's
 - i. God calls people.
 - ii. God chastens His people.
 - iii. God loves people.