

SERMON STUDY QUESTIONS

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2018

1. Read Jonah 3:1-10
2. Chapter 3 of Jonah is a scene of mercy and repentance. What is repentance? Why would Luther say in the first of his 95 theses, "The entire life of believers is to be one of repentance."?
3. What was the city of Nineveh like? What would have made Jonah's mission so intimidating? How do you face and overcoming intimidating situations?
4. As Jesus tells us in Luke 11 and Matt.12, the people of Nineveh respond to the Word of the Lord through Jonah by repenting. What did their repentance look like and consist of?
5. Read 2 Cor.7:10-11. What are the characteristics of the Corinthian's repentance? Describe each of these characteristics. Where are some of these characteristics seen in the Ninevites?
6. Contrast repentance with worldly sorrow. What are some significant differences?
7. What makes discerning repentance so difficult? What can you do to help to discern where there is real repentance rather than just worldly sorrow?
8. What is mercy? How can God show mercy to those whom He loves without offending His justice?
9. What practical implications or application can you make from this text/sermon?
10. Pray!