

## When Life Seems Unlivable

### PERSONAL APPLICATION

Review the main lesson outline briefly

- Describe a time in your life when you knew God wanted you to do something & you struggled with obeying Him. Do you have something or someone in your life now like that? What can you do to respond properly?

### PRIVATE MEDITATION

Read the Scripture and identify 1 thought to take with you for that day  
Write down your daily thought under each day

**Monday** – Jonah 1

*Thought:*

**Tuesday** – Jonah 2

*Thought:*

**Wednesday** – Jonah 3

*Thought:*

**Thursday** – Jonah 4

*Thought:*

**Friday** – Hebrews 4:14-15; Ephesians 26-27, 31

*Thought:*

**Saturday** – Job 1

*“Job”*

*“Life is too Difficult”*

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### I am Bitter & Angry

Jonah 1:12, 4:3, 8-9

**Intro:** *Bitterness (Hebrews 12:14-15) meaning angry, unhappy, feeling of hatred or anger. (Bitter is the root attitude, anger is the action)*

#### I. The Cause of His Anger & Bitterness

- God's command – Go to Nineveh (1:1-2)
- Jonah's response – he ran away from the Lord – (1:3)
  - The people of Nineveh – not Jonah's people (Jewish) Genesis 10:8-12 - Only prophet sent to the gentile people!
  - The person of Jonah – He knew God (4:1-3) He was a prophet of God (2 Kings 14:25) Jesus refers to Jonah as a prophet in Matthew 12:38-41.
  - The patience & love of God – (4:1-3)

#### II. The Course it took him on

- He ignored what God said (1:1-2)
- He refused to go where God wanted him to go (1:2-3)
- He did not want to interact with the people God was sending him to (1:2)

#### III. The Cure

- ✓ God intervenes in His grace – (1:4, 7, 17)
- ✓ God involves those around us – (1:5, 13-16)
- ✓ God forgives & gives second chances – (3:1)

#### IV. The Completion of God's purpose

##### A. Jonah

- Listened – (3:1-2)
- Obeyed – (3:3)
- God's purpose prevailed – (3:5-4:11)

B. God – We must learn to love what God loves!

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### NOTES