

"More Than a Whale of a Tale"
God's Grace in Unexpected Places • pt. 1
Jonah (overview)

INTRODUCTION

- goal for series on Jonah:

- *justice* = _____ what I deserve
- *mercy* = _____ what I deserve
- *grace* = _____ what I do not deserve

HISTORICITY OF THE BOOK

- the "great fish" a whale?

- distinctives of the book...

- affirmed by Jesus
Mt. 12:38-41; 16:4

"Men have been looking so hard at the great fish that they
have failed to see the great God." — G. Campbell Morgan

MESSAGE OF THE BOOK

1. *It's intended to give us* _____.
(focusing on the character of God)

2. *It's intended to give us* _____.
(focusing on the Ninevites)

- the Jews were God's chosen people, but not His *only* people
Jn. 10:16

3. *It's intended to convict us* _____

(focusing on Jonah himself)

- God calls this ordinary man to "go" and "preach"
Mt. 28:18-20
2 Ki. 5:1-14