Jonah and Daniel Parent Resources

Title: God Shows Mercy to Jonah and Nineveh

Passage: Jonah 1–4

Principle: God is gracious and compassionate. **Praise:** "Humble Thyself in the Sight of the Lord"

Prompt: Ask your child these questions:

Why did Jonah not want to preach to Nineveh?How was God merciful to Jonah and Nineveh?

Practice: Help your child apply these truths in the following ways:

By thanking God for being merciful to sinners.

• By asking God to use you to show His mercy to others.

This Week: As a family, read selected portions of Jonah 1–4.

Next Week: Daniel 2

Title: God Uses Daniel to Interpret the King's Dream

Passage: Daniel 2

Principle: Man will be comforted or warned by God's sovereign plan for human history.

Praise: "Lord, I Lift Your Name on High" **Prompt:** Ask your child these questions:

• How did Daniel find out about Nebuchadnezzar's dream?

• What did Nebuchadnezzar see in his dream and what did it mean?

Practice: Help your child apply these truths in the following ways:

By trusting that God is in control of human history.

By repenting before God's kingdom comes.

This Week: As a family, read selected portions of Daniel 2.

Next Week: Daniel 3

Title: God Protects Daniel's Friends

Passage: Daniel 3

Principle: Believers die to themselves and worship the Lord.

Praise: "Most Holy One"

Prompt: Ask your child these questions:

• Why did Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego disobey the king?

• What did God reveal about Himself by rescuing Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego?

Practice: Help your child apply these truths in the following ways:

• By worshiping the Lord as his first priority.

By obeying God in order to be a testimony to His greatness.

This Week: As a family, read selected portions of Daniel 3.

Next Week: Daniel 4

Title: God Humbles Nebuchadnezzar

Passage: Daniel 4

Principle: Believers humble themselves before God Most High.

Praise: "Humble Thyself in the Sight of the Lord"

Prompt: Ask your child these questions:

• Why was Nebuchadnezzar punished?

• How was Nebuchadnezzar different after the seven years?

Practice: Help your child apply these truths in the following ways:

- By praising God for how He has made us and for what He has given to us.
- By trusting God's sovereignty as He rules over the kingdom of men.

This Week: As a family, read selected portions of Daniel 4.

Next Week: Daniel 5

Title: God Judges Belshazzar for His Pride

Passage: Daniel 5

Principle: Believers respond to God's warning before they are judged.

Praise: "Trust in the Lord with All Your Heart" **Prompt:** Ask your child these questions:

• Why did Belshazzar use the vessels from the Lord's temple?

• What happened to the wall, and what did the writing mean?

Practice: Help your child apply these truths in the following ways:

• By repenting when others are punished.

• By telling others about God's judgment.

This Week: As a family, read selected portions of Daniel 5.

Next Week: Daniel 6

Title: God Delivers Daniel from the Lions' Den

Passage: Daniel 6

Principle: Believers are faithful before God.

Praise: "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

Prompt: Ask your child these questions:

How was Daniel faithful to God?

• What did God reveal about Himself by saving Daniel?

Practice: Help your child apply these truths in the following ways:

By developing of habit of praying continually.

• By trusting that God is faithful to those who belong to Him.

This Week: As a family, read selected portions of Daniel 6.