

## A GOD OF SECOND CHANCES Jonah 3:1-4

### I. **God's grace is seen in Jonah's life (1).**

Lamentations 3:22-24: Through the LORD's mercies we are not consumed, because **His compassions fail not**. They *are* new every morning; great *is* Your faithfulness. "The LORD *is* my portion," says my soul, "Therefore I hope in Him!"

1 Timothy 1:12-14: And I thank Christ Jesus our Lord who has enabled me, because He counted me faithful, **putting me into the ministry**, although I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and an insolent man; **but I obtained mercy** because I did *it* ignorantly in unbelief. And **the grace of our Lord was exceedingly abundant**, with faith and love which are in Christ Jesus.

### II. **God's grace is seen in Jonah's message (2).**

Romans 1:1: Paul, a bondservant of Jesus Christ, called *to be* an apostle, separated to **the gospel of God**.

Romans 1:9: For God is my witness, whom I serve with my spirit in the **gospel of His Son**, that without ceasing I make mention of you always in my prayers,

### III. **God's grace is seen in Jonah's audience (3-4).**

Jeremiah 18:7-8: The instant I speak concerning a nation and concerning a kingdom, to pluck up, to pull down, and to destroy it, **if that nation against whom I have spoken turns from its evil, I will relent** of the disaster that I thought to bring upon it.

Romans 2:4-10: Or do you despise the riches of His goodness, forbearance, and longsuffering, not knowing that the goodness of God leads you to repentance? But in accordance with your hardness and your impenitent heart you are treasuring up for yourself wrath in the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of God, who "*will render to each one according to his deeds*": eternal life to those who by patient continuance in doing good seek for glory, honor, and immortality; but to those who are self-seeking and do not obey the truth, but obey unrighteousness—indignation and wrath, tribulation and anguish, **on every soul of man who does evil, of the Jew first and also of the Greek**; but glory, honor, and peace to everyone who works what is good, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. For there is no partiality with God.

Acts 20:32: So now, brethren, I commend you to God and to the **word of His grace**, which is able to build you up and give you an inheritance among all those who are sanctified.