GVBC | Pastor Thien Doan | 11.17.24 Series: Major Lessons from the Minor Prophets "God's Great Love for the Lost" | Jonah 1-4

SUMMARY OF JONAH:

CHAPTER 1

God calls Jonah to be a missionary to his enemies, but Jonah runs away.

CHAPTER 1-2

God uses unusual means to chase after Jonah and bring him to repentance.

CHAPTER 3

Jonah reluctantly obeys God and unintentionally starts a spiritual revival in Assyria (which angers Jonah).

CHAPTER 4

God continues to show kindness and patience to Jonah and tries to change his heart.

MAIN THOUGHT

ROMANS 2:1-4

1 You, therefore, have no excuse, you who pass judgment on someone else, for at whatever point you judge another, you are condemning yourself, because you who pass judgment do the same things... 3 So when you, a mere human being, pass judgment on them and yet do the same things, do you think you will escape God's judgment? 4 Or do you show contempt for the riches of his kindness, forbearance and patience, not realizing that God's kindness is intended to lead you to repentance?

HOW GOD SHOWED HIS LOVE

1. God lovingly PURSUES Jonah.
2. God miraculously PROVIDES for Jonah
3. God changes Jonah's bitter heart with loving PATIENCE and gentle kindness.

1 TIMOTHY 1:15-17

15 Here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the worst. 16 But for that very reason I was shown mercy so that in me, the worst of sinners, Christ Jesus might display his immense patience as an example for those who would believe in him and receive eternal life. 17 Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

OUR RESPONSE

1. STOP RUNNING
2. Check YOUR HEART
3. Let God <u>VSE YOU</u>

CLOSING THOUGHT

The God who forgave and used Jonah wants to

FORGIVE AND USE YOU