

JONAH'S LESSON

Scripture: Jonah 1-4

Materials Needed:

Objectives: As a result of this lesson, I want my students

To Know—Jonah did not care about God's coming judgment on the Assyrians, but he cared greatly when the shady vine God had provided was eaten by a worm. God rebuked him for caring about his own comfort rather than the repentance of many people.

To Realize—God expects His followers to care that people turn from sin and are saved, not their own comfort.

To Respond by—by caring about the spiritual welfare of others like God does, rather than their own comfort.

Scripture

Telling the story:

- I. Jonah Doesn't Care About God's Judgment on Assyrians
 - A. God tells him to go
 - B. Jonah runs to Tarshish
 - C. God Gets Jonah to Nineveh
 1. Storm
 2. Great Fish
 3. Tells him again to go
 - D. Jonah Tells God's message
 - E. King and People repent
 - F. Jonah is Angry
- II. Jonah Cares About the Vine
 - A. God says to wait
 - B. Jonah goes outside city
 - C. God sends a vine for shade
 - D. Jonah is Happy
 - E. God sends a worm
 - F. Jonah is Angry

III. God Rebukes Jonah

As you tell the story: