

# LIFE GROUP QUESTIONS

WEEK OF OCTOBER 30, 2016

CURRENT SERIES: JONAH RUNNING FROM GOD  
JONAH 4

**Big Idea: Remembering the grace we have been shown slays the self-righteousness that spoils our hearts.**

It is important to remember the grace of God in our lives. Take some time in your day to consciously think about His grace to you and your family. Can you share some evidences of that grace with the members of your lifegroup.

**1. Self-righteousness causes me to hate God's will when it differs from mine. (v1)**

What is Jonah's attitude in verse 1? Why is his attitude ironic? What does his attitude reveal about his heart? Share a recent incident where things did not go as you wanted them to go or as you had planned. What did your attitude reveal about your heart?

**2. Self-righteousness causes me to resent God's nature unless it benefits me. (v2-4)**

What does Jonah say about the character of God in verse 2? Why does God ask Jonah a question in verse 4? Why do we want others to receive a harsh judgment when they commit either a foolish or a wicked act? Why do we tend to feel that we should be exempt from the same judgement?

**3. Self-righteousness cause me to desire judgement for others but grace for myself. (v5-11)**

What does Jonah's love of the plant that shades him reveal about his heart? Why is self-righteousness so hard to see in ourselves and so easy to see in others? What are some steps we can take to make sure we are judging rightly and not self-righteously?

**Mutual Ministry:**

Sometimes we resent God for allowing trials into our life. Can you share a recent event in your life that may have caused you to feel resentment toward God? Is God leading you to repent of this? Confess this to one another and search for words of encouragement for each other from the scriptures.