

LOST AT SEA

Jonah 1:4-16

- We are **lost** without **God**.

- We demonstrate how lost we are when...
 - ...we **fail** to see God's **hand** in all things.
 - ...we **ignore** His **calling** in our life.
 - ...we rely on **anything** other than our **identity** in Him.

- We are found when we **humble** ourselves and **worship** Him with awe.

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1. Have you been out at sea in a storm? Describe the feelings you experienced.
2. Read Jonah 1:1-16. Do you see yourself in the actions and attitudes of Jonah and the sailors? Is it easy to criticize Jonah without examining our own heart? Psalm 51
3. How does the sailors' reaction to the storm reflect common human responses to crisis situations?
4. What role does divine providence play in the sailors' attempt to determine the cause of the storm using casting lots?
5. In what ways can we relate Jonah's situation to our own lives when we try to escape God's calling or guidance?
6. In what ways does this part of the story point to Jesus' sacrifice? How is it different?
7. What lessons can we draw from this passage about the importance of repentance and God's willingness to extend grace and forgiveness to those who turn back to Him?

