

THE PRAYING PROPHET...!

Jonah 1:17-2:10

PRAYER is the PROVING ground of our faith!

1. Prayer is a REFLECTION of our HEART... (2:1-4)
2. Prayer RESCUES us from DISTRESS... (2:5-7)
3. Prayer REQUIRES a RESPONSE... (2:8-10)

further up, further in

1. What is your favorite prayer in the bible? Why?
(Ps. 23, 51, 139, 119, Jn 17, Mt 6:9-13, Jon 2:1-9, others?)
2. Do you struggle with prayer? Discuss why or why not?
What encourages you most about prayer?
(Ps 31:2-3, Ps 37:4, Jn 15:16, 16:24 Rom 8:26-27)
3. Besides the “great fish,” what are some other miracles you can see in this passage? (Jon 2:1-9)
4. How has God used prayer in your life to deepen your faith, to “remember the LORD”? (Jon 2:7)
5. Can you relate to Jonah’s struggle with obedience? With God’s mercy? When needed, how has God disciplined you in your life?
(Ps 10:17, 119:71, Heb 12:5-6, 11)
6. What is the “spiritual temperature” of your prayer life currently?
C SPURGEON, said of prayer: "I know of no better thermometer to our spiritual temperature than this, the measure of the intensity of our prayers."
(Mt. 6:8, Phil 4:6, 1 Thess 5:16-18)
7. Do you have a “fish” story to tell? How did God deliver you? (Jon 2:10)
8. Spend extra time in prayer together, thanking God for _____ in your life.

“I have come home at last! This is my real country! I belong here. This is the land I have been looking for all my life, though I never knew it till now. . . . Come further up, come further in!” — C.S. Lewis, The Last Battle

