



November 8, 2020

Jonah 1:1-17; 3:1-10 [4:1-11]

Use this resource at home to guide your household's daily devotions.



Pray: Light a candle. Open your devotion with prayer.

Gracious God, you show abundant mercy even when we cannot see the purpose of it. Give us your heart for compassion and love for all of your children, regardless of who or where they may be, in the name of Jesus. Amen.



Read: Read the key verse from Sunday's reading.

When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it. (Jonah 3:10)



Reflect: Reflect on the scripture summary.

When God called on Jonah to proclaim destruction to his mortal enemies, Jonah tried to flee. But even in the deep, dark sea God found him and granted him a second chance. God went on to give a second chance to Nineveh, too. Everyone God encountered here was filled with the abundance of God's mercy.



Connect: Connect in conversation with others in your household.

What was a high point of your day? What was a low point?

Tell of a time you were so wrapped up in your own drama that you were unable to see God's grace in the world.

What does it mean that God desires to save all people in all nations? How can you be an agent of God's work throughout the world?

For the littles: How would you keep yourself busy if you were stuck in the belly of a sea monster for 3 days?



Bless: Close your devotion with a blessing.

May God's blessings pour out of you onto all the people of the world. Amen.



Do: By acting on what we learn, we make God's word come alive. Do the following activity this week.

Visit a local aquarium, farm, or zoo virtually. Observe the animals. Consider what God sees in them that makes them valuable. Consider what God sees in you that makes you valuable.



Go Deeper: Visit clergystuff.com/daily-devotions.

Monday: *Zephaniah Prophesies Against the Kingdoms*, Zephaniah 1:14-18

Tuesday: *Nabum Prophesies of God's Wrath*, Nahum 1:1-11

Wednesday: *Habakkuk Prophesies and Prays*, Habakkuk 3:1-19

Thursday: *God Calls Jeremiah*, Jeremiah 1:1-19

Friday: *Ezekiel Sees a Vision*, Ezekiel 1:1-28

Saturday: *The Valley of Dry Bones*, Ezekiel 37:1-14