

The Barrier: Disregarding the God of mercy (Jonah 1:1-16)

What do we do when God doesn't act the way we want?

- The choice

What is the book really about?

2 main characters

i. Jonah

A proper prophet

A successful prophet

A patriotic prophet

The question confronting Jonah

Why does he run?

Nineveh

He knows who his God is!

ii. God

A God of mercy

A God of justice

So trying to get as far away as possible! Are you in the same boat?

But...

1. Nothing can escape God's control

2. No one is beyond God's compassion

What's the alternative to fleeing?

F_____ Him instead.

for we see clearer...(cf. Mark 4:35-41)