

The Challenge: Shall we not display God's mercy? (Jonah 4)

Job done?

The true climax of the book

Jonah's strange reaction: **get angry!**
Why?

The nature of anger

The perceived wrong

lit. "it was evil to Jonah, a great evil" (v.1)

*The key question: v4

Jonah knows the answer!

v.2 ☪ Exodus 34:6-7

He has to face the full implications of his theology

Why still hold on to anger?

Self-righteous hearts

God wants us to honestly ask ourselves...

Objection: self-interests threatened?

Contrast **God's patient heart** (v.5-11)

Time for Jonah to go to school

Booths and plants

lit. "to deliver him from his calamity" (v.6)

"Is it right for you be angry about the plant?"

God's point & God's heart

How is it possible to have God's heart?