

**The Message: The deep mercy of God (Jonah 3)**

The religion of second chances

**Our God is the God of second chances**

Jonah 3:1-2 cf. 1:1-2

How Episode 1 played out

A do-over

**What does it mean for God to be a Giver of second chances?**

- God never gives up
- God holds no grudges
- God makes no deals
- God gives 2<sup>nd</sup> chances to all, not just some  
(v.3 lit "great city to God")

- He cares too much to stay silent

**How do we make the most of the gift of a second chance?**

"They believed God"

The king

We must \_\_\_\_\_

The breadth of their response

"Who knows?"

Jeremiah 18:7-8

One difference between us and the king

What if we call ourselves Christians already? (cf. Matt 12:38-41)