

“Do You Focus on the Temporal or the Eternal?”

Jonah 4

I. Jonah’s displeasure (vs. 1)

Matthew 18:23-35 (forgiven debtor who wouldn’t forgive)

II. Jonah’s prayer (vs. 2-3)

Exodus 34:6, And the LORD passed by before him, and proclaimed, The LORD, The LORD God, merciful and gracious, longsuffering, and abundant in goodness and truth,

Psalm 78:38, But he, being full of compassion, forgave their iniquity, and destroyed them not: yea, many a time turned he his anger away, and did not stir up all his wrath.

Psalm 86:5,15, For thou, Lord, art good, and ready to forgive; and plenteous in mercy unto all them that call upon thee. But thou, O Lord, art a God full of compassion, and gracious, long suffering, and plenteous in mercy and truth.

II Peter 3:9, The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.

III. Jonah’s wait (vs. 5)

IV. God’s provision (vs. 6)

rapid growth was an act of God

V. God’s destruction (vs. 7)

Job 1:21, And said, Naked came I out of my mother's womb, and naked shall I return thither: the LORD gave, and the LORD hath taken away; blessed be the name of the LORD.

VI. Jonah’s priorities (vs. 9-11)

Colossians 3:1-2, If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth.

Luke 12:29-31, And seek not ye what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink, neither be ye of doubtful mind. For all these things do the nations of the world seek after: and your Father knoweth that ye have need of these things. But rather seek ye the kingdom of God; and all these things shall be added unto you.