## **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

For the week of April 3, 2022

One of the best things you can do after hearing truths from the Word of God is to talk about them with others. Here are some questions to help get the conversation started. (hint: the first couple of questions are meant to "break the ice" and get people talking)

- Josh told the story about burning down a barn. Tell your group about a time that you did something really foolish.
- Have you ever been caught in a bad storm? Tell your story to the group.
- How does God normally get your attention? When or where is it easiest for you to listen to God?
- Take note of Jonah 2:6-7. Jonah is still inside the fish. What tense (past, present, future) is he writing in when he speaks of the answer to his prayer? What does that tell you about Jonah?
- Have you ever prayed or heard someone else pray, "Lord if you will just get me out of this mess, I will \_\_\_\_\_"? God hears our desperate cries, no doubt; and he answers those prayers. What keeps us from praying before we hit the bottom?
- While in the belly of the fish Jonah knew he needed to look to the Temple of God (read Jonah 2:3-7). In Jewish culture, the temple was the place to meet with God. What is your favorite place to spend time with God?
- Jonah has been willfully disobedient to God. The three days in the belly of the fish transformed Jonah's hard heart (read Proverbs 4:23, Ezekiel 36:26, 2 Corinthians 4:7-12, and Romans 12:1-2). Where is God working in your heart today?

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