LifeBridge BAPTIST CHURCH

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Worship Service
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JONAH: What's Eating Jonah?

Lesson Three • Jonah 3:1-10

Repent!

The "Missionary Problem" Is Always a HEART Problem!
Does my heart ***reject*** God's conditions for fulfilling the Great Commission?

What's Eating Jonah in Chapter 3?
A heart that **REJECTS** God's great conditions!

Meeting God's Great Conditions

1. A MESSENGER Who Repents of Willful Ways.

Two Facts About Repenting of Our Willful Ways

- God is a God of **SECOND** chances. *(vv. 1-3)*

- Second chances often have **COSTLY** consequences.

2. The MESSAGE that Calls for Repentance from Wrong Ways.

- A **BIBLICAL** message! *(3:2)*

- A **BALANCED** message! *(3:4)*

A Balance of Bad News and Good News:
Eternal Judgment and Eternal Salvation!

A Balance of Patience and Urgency:
God Is Patient but Time Is Limited!

3. The MIRACLE that Causes People to Repent from Wickedness.

What Is the Greatest Miracle in the Book of Jonah?
*God **CHANGING** hearts by the preaching of His Word!*

How Does God Perform This Great Miracle?

- **BELIEVE** in God and His gospel! *(3:5)*

- **REPENT** of our sins! *(3:5-8; Matthew 12:41)*

- **CRY OUT** to the One True God! *(3:8b; Romans 10:13-15)*

4. The MERCIFUL God Who Relents from Wrath According to His Word!

"Salvation belongs to the LORD!"

"The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not WILLING that ANY should PERISH, but that ALL should come to REPENTANCE." 2 Peter 3:9

"Truly, these times of ignorance God overlooked, but NOW commands ALL men EVERYWHERE to REPENT," Acts 17:30

"declared...to the Gentiles, that they should REPENT, TURN to God, and DO works befitting repentance." Acts 26:20

Where Is Your Heart This Morning?
Repent of rejecting God's great conditions for fulfilling
His Great Commission!

Our merciful God is giving each of us a second chance to repent and partner with Him in taking the gospel to the unreached.