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**SUMMER AT SEA  
GOD’S SOVEREIGNTY AND OUR PRAYERS***Jonah 2:1-10*

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***Jonah 2:1-10***

*1 Then Jonah prayed to the LORD his God from the belly of the fish, 2 saying, “I called out to the LORD, out of my distress, and he answered me; out of the belly of Sheol I cried, and you heard my voice. 3 For you cast me into the deep, into the heart of the seas, and the flood surrounded me; all your waves and your billows passed over me. 4 Then I said, ‘I am driven away from your sight; yet I shall again look upon your holy temple.’ 5 The waters closed in over me to take my life; the deep surrounded me; weeds were wrapped about my head 6 at the roots of the mountains. I went down to the land whose bars closed upon me forever; yet you brought up my life from the pit, O LORD my God. 7 When my life was fainting away, I remembered the LORD, and my prayer came to you, into your holy temple. 8 Those who pay regard to vain idols forsake their hope of steadfast love. 9 But I with the voice of thanksgiving will sacrifice to you; what I have vowed I will pay. Salvation belongs to the LORD!” 10 And the LORD spoke to the fish, and it vomited Jonah out upon the dry land. (ESV)*

**1. Pray\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (vv.1-10)**

**2. Pray \_\_\_­­­\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** **(vv.2-9)**

**3. Pray \_\_­­­\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** **(vv.1-10)**

**Application Questions**

*These questions are provided for your further study and application of today’s sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today’s study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others. For more information about LifeGroups at Compass Bible Church that utilize these questions as the basis for their weekly discussion, please visit compasshillcountry.org/lifegroups or email us at info@compasshillcountry.org.*

1. Write down one observation or application you found particularly helpful from this week’s sermon.

2. Read [Jonah 2:1-10](https://biblia.com/bible/esv/Jon2.1-10). Some may ask: If God is sovereign over all things, why is praying necessary? How would you answer this question biblically?

*This Week’s Memory Verse*

**Acts 26:18**

18 to open their eyes, so that they may turn from darkness to light and from the power of Satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and a place among those who are sanctified by faith in me.’ (ESV)

3. Read [Psalm 62:8](https://biblia.com/bible/esv/Ps62.8) & [Psalm 51:15–17](https://biblia.com/bible/esv/Ps51.15-17). What does transparency in your prayers accomplish in regard to God’s will? What will you do this week to be more intentional in your prayers?

*This Week’s  
Bible Reading Schedule*

**July 31st**

*Psalm 62-64 & Romans 1*

**August 1st**

*Psalm 65-67 & Romans 2*

**August 2nd**

*Psalm 68-69 & Romans 3*

**August 3rd**

*Psalm 70-72 & Romans 4*

**August 4th**

*Psalm 73-74 & Romans 5*

**August 5th**

*Psalm 75-77 & Romans 6*

**August 6th**

*Psalm 78 & Romans 7*

**August 7th**

*Psalm 79-81 & Romans 8:1-18*

4. Read [1 John 5:14–15](https://biblia.com/bible/esv/1Jn5.14-15) & [James 4:2-3](https://biblia.com/bible/esv/Jas4.2-3). What do these verses say about the assurance of answered prayers? How does Jonah’s prayer and these verses shift your perspective on prayer?

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