

JONAH

- 1 A book of vital interest to every Christian seeking the leading of the Lord
Leads in many ways but principally by His Word

- Jonah had a message given him by God for Ninevah
We have been given God's message for the world
2 Whether near to us or far away

- Jonah used his own judgment
Went to Spain -- the opposite direction
Let circumstances lead him
Open door to Spain vs Word of the Lord to Ninevah
God's providence vs the devil's
3 Planning to come to ~~BBiblical~~ Seminary when "providentially" ~~W~~ was
given money to go to a liberal seminary
Student who struggled against liberal teaching and was planning
to come to Faith. Then went back to liberalism permanently.
Circumstances unreliable guide

- Jonah knew he was disobeying God.

- 4 God sent a mighty tempest
Don't always count on His sending a tempest
Does not always intervene this way

- 5 Jonah's calmness in the storm was not of God
Martin Luther terribly upset about conditions in Germany
Accomplishing much but having terrible disappointments
Luther's wife dressed in black saying "God is dead"
Learn to have calmness in midst of discouragements if doing God's will
But not if disobedient

- 6 Jonah's testimony
God uses such a testimony
Pray God you won't be forced into giving your testimony
The kindness of unbelievers

- 7 Young man from Christian family who ignorant of world's ways found
much kindness shown by non-Christian roommates, etc. Shook his faith.
God's common grace
Influential man with humanitarian interests but unChristian

- 8 AAM thought he must have had a Christian background
Asked him why go into the ministry
Had been evangelical but lost his faith in the Gospel

- 10 Roman Catholic Bishop found contrast in honesty between Germans and Italians
Germany--the land of the Protestant Reformation

- 11 The Great Fish Miracle
Various types of wales

- 12 Miracle was in Jonah's keeping alive
Jonah's Prayer and confession