

**Obedience Calms the Raging From Within
(Disobedience Affects Others)
Jonah 1:10-17**

Opening Remarks:

1. Jonah is commissioned by the Lord.
2. Jonah flees from the presence of the Lord (3).
3. Jonah's disobedience, causes consequences.

I. The purpose in all this – 10-14

- A. The responsible party – 10
- B. The question to solve a dilemma - 11
- C. The obvious answer - 12
- D. The reluctant and desperate rowers (13)
- E. The options are thin - 14

II. When all options are exhausted – 15-16

- A. The sea stopped its raging and was no longer mirroring God's displeasure (15).
 - The acknowledging of the sin calmed the situation.
 - Someone has well spoken: When sin is the Jonah that raises the storm, it must be cast forth into the sea.
- B. Seeing the hand of God and the results they bring - (16)
 - Reverently feared, offered a sacrifice & made vows (promises) to God.

III. The attention is finally secured – 17

- A. God can at times become extremely creative in how He deals with His children.
- B. Now, the inquisitive mind wants to know all the details.
 - Remember, it is not about the fish.
 - In the midst of judgment mercy is revealed and expressed.
 - God did not create this fish for this specific purpose, but He calls it to accomplish His purpose/will since He created all sea creatures in the first place (Gen. 1:20, 21).

Closing Comments:

1. Someone has spoken well: "If you run from God, expect to be eaten by circumstances."
2. Obedience calms the raging from within.
