

Jonah: God's reluctant servant.

Part #5A matter of the heart.Jonah Chp.4

Vr. 1-4 Jonah was obedient but not changed.

- Jonah was distressed and angry.
- Why? He knew God's heart and His heart was not the same.
- Jonah would rather be dead, than live in God's will.
- God's reply. "Are you justified in your Anger?"

Truths that we can apply from this moment to our own lives and faith?

- #1 Just because someone does the right thing does not mean they are right in their hearts and motives.
- #2 God can use a flawed minister / ministry to do His work, for His glory and kingdoms advancement.
- #3 It is not necessary to Love those we minister to before we can minister in His name.

Vr. 5-8 God's man, God's plant & God's worm.

- God sent provision for his discomfort.
- God's compassion for him made Jonah very happy.
- God removed His provision.
- Jonah returned to his misery.



Vr.9-11 The rest of the story....

- When Jonah lost his "stuff", life was not worth living.
- Jonah showed more love for the plant than he did for the people of Nineveh.
- Our God is in the saving business and if we are going to be His people we should be too.

God might have to teach us that even in our deeply rooted hatred for another, He still loves them and desires to saved them, forgive them and so should we!

Proverbs 3 Keys.... OBEY, ACT, TRUST.