

Jonah Week Four - Family Devotion The Work

Begin your time with an opening prayer and read Jonah Chapter 3

- 1. Each family member briefly share what stands out to you or catches your attention from this Bible passage, and/or anything that you remember from the sermon in church about Jonah.
- 2. We all understand from the story of Jonah, that Jonah has made some bad mistakes, he has run from God and refused to obey. As we start chapter three we see something encouraging, God calls to Jonah again. God calling to Jonah again shows that God is forgiving and that God never gives up on us. Forgiveness is very important. Share a time when you made a mistake and someone forgave you.
- 3. Another interesting thing from chapter three is that Jonah finally goes to Nineveh. We know from history that Nineveh was full of really bad people who celebrate doing really bad things, but when Jonah shares God's message to them they are willing to change. Sometimes we think we know what will happen if we do what God wants, we think it will be really hard or not much fun but the story of Jonah reminds us that serving God is an adventure. Mom or Dad, share a time when you thought obeying God was going to be difficult or not much fun but you were reminded that God was with you and had gone before you.

End your time by having each family member share a prayer request and then pray for each other. It would be best if each family member prayed; you could simply pray for the family member on your right all the way around the table.