

Divine Grace Overcomes Human Prejudice

Then the word of the Lord came to Jonah a second time:² “Go to the great city of Nineveh and proclaim to it the message I give you.”

³ Jonah obeyed the word of the Lord and went to Nineveh. Now Nineveh was a very large city; it took three days to go through it. ⁴ Jonah began by going a day’s journey into the city, proclaiming, “Forty more days and Nineveh will be overthrown.”⁵ The Ninevites believed God. A fast was proclaimed, and all of them, from the greatest to the least, put on sackcloth.

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¹⁰ When God saw what they did and how they turned from their evil ways, he relented and did not bring on them the destruction he had threatened.

1. Why *me* and why *those* people?
2. God’s will gets done whether we like it or not.
3. Human judgment is harsher than God’s.
4. God decides who gets a second chance, not we.