

- 1) What are some of the objections your non-Christian friends have to the concept of missions? How might you respond to those objections?
- 2) Read Jonah 1 again this week. Is there anything new you see or hear in this text that is different than last week?
- 3) Verse 4 says, "Then the Lord sent a great wind on the sea, and such a violent storm arose that the ship threatened to break up." How do you respond to the idea that God is sometimes the *cause* of "storms" in life?
- 4) How have "storms" been part of your journey with Jesus? If someone in the group is in one right now, take time to listen and pray together.
- 5) Discuss this line from Sunday's message: "Church, joining God's mission isn't something you sign up for. It's something you do by very nature of being God's person in the world." (Read 2 Corinthians 5:17-21 to enliven your discussion when the ideas fade).
- 6) What do you think your life says about God to the coworkers in your office or your neighbours in your neighbourhood?
- 7) Pastor Keith summarized our Christian mission as "carrying the glory and story of Jesus to the people around us." What do you think he means by this? How is this different than your current understanding of being a missionary?
- 8) What three things did Jonah do/didn't do that hurt his witness to the sailors?
- 9) What are some of the things that you do that may hurt your witness to the people you interact with on a weekly basis?
- 10) How might your Circle take a step into mission together over the next three months?
- 11) Spend time praying for your non-christian friends, colleagues, family, and neighbours. Be specific in your prayers.

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