

## “God is on Mission: GODISNOWHERE”

The Book of Jonah

**Theme:** God is always faithful to keep His word in fulfilling His Vision for Creation and for you.

**Introduction:**

- First, the primary point is God’s vision for humanity at large. His design has always been global.
- Second, the book demonstrates the control of God in accomplishing His purposes (1:17; 4:6-8).
- Third, this oversight/control is often worked directly through secondary agents to accomplish His purpose.
- Fourth, Jonah’s emotional / spiritual frame of mind must be considered a primary element within the book.
- Finally, in light of the New Testament, we should read every story as a single *Story* with Jesus at the center (Matt. 12:40).

**Two walking takeaways.**

1. God cares for us more than we can imagine. He is tenderly turning our hearts toward Himself. God knows that our joy is firmly and ultimately sourced in His presence.

The Book of Jonah ends rather abruptly. We can rightly assume that Jonah recovered from his self-inflicted wound and returned to a state of emotional and spiritual stability. How might we know this? You would have to be in your right mind to write about your wrong mind.

2. God is on Mission and will fulfill His Vision of seeing the earth covered with a knowledge of His glory as the waters cover the sea.

