

The Reluctant Evangelist

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Which would you rather...a test on your doctrine vs a test on your lifestyle?

1. Jonah goes in the opposite direction

Geographically - Tarshish x3 (v3), you don't take a boat to Nineveh

Directionally - God says, "Arise", Jonah goes down, down, down, v3, v5, ch2

2. He is a massive hypocrite

V4 The LORD hurled a great wind

V5 The sailors cry out to their own god

V7 The sailors ask question about what started the storm

V9 ***"I am a Hebrew and I FEAR the LORD, who made the sea"***

V10 **The men exceedingly FEAR, *"What is this you have done"***

V11 The sailors ask questions about how to end it

V14 The sailors call out to the LORD

V15 The sailors hurled Jonah in the sea

Jonah says he fears the Lord, but he doesn't.

His lifestyle doesn't match his doctrine - he's a massive hypocrite.

3. Jonah doesn't fear the LORD as he should

Scarier than the storm is the LORD who made it and can even calm it. (Mark 4)

A right fear of God is a *"think twice before you sin"*, type of fear.

Evangelism, Mission and Christmas - will our lifestyle match our doctrine?

Start planning, praying and inviting your loved ones to Christmas this year.