

# **"Share God's Concern for the Lost"**

Jonah 4 (page 774)

*Are you right to be angry? (v4, v9)*

## **1. No: Our Anger is Inconsistent.**

So angry, he'd rather die than see God let these people live.

Jonah's angry when God's gracious to others, but not when he's the recipient.

*Praise God that the Lord is not like us? That it is the LORD who judges us and not Jonah, or you, or me...*

## **2. No: We fail to see God's right concern for Valuable People**

Grace in a Plant: God is trying to save Jonah from his sinful attitude

The repetition drives home to us the fickleness of his attitude:

- He wants to die because: the people live (4:3), the plant dies (4:8)
- He's angry the people live (4:1), he's angry the plant dies (4:9)

Is it right he's angry (4:4, 9)? God's point: He should be more concerned about the people than the plant.

*Let's share God's concern for the Lost.*