

Life Group Notes – Week 2

Mr Grumpy
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Welcome

When would you say you are at your most grumpiest? Are there common things that cause you to be grumpy? For example, lack of sleep, when you feel hungry....

Worship

Read Psalm 138.

What phrases catch your attention? What in the Psalm might you need to hear right now in your life?

Word

Do you remember the first time you heard the story of Jonah? What sticks out to you about his story?

Re-read Jonah Chapter 4

Jesus told his followers to love their enemies. He doesn't say, "If you have enemies, then you should love them." The assumption is that we will have them. Who might people view as enemies today and why? Who might you regard as an enemy?

Does showing God's love to an enemy seem risky at all? Why?

Jonah thinks he knows better than God, about how the world ought to work. As far as Jonah is concerned, "those people" in Nineveh don't deserve a warning. Does everyone deserve a second chance?

How would you feel if you were Jonah, making your way into such a city as Ninevah?

What things have you seen in others that made you angry only to later find those same things in yourself?

Works

God is a gracious and compassionate God and he extends an invitation to us – to share his dreams for the world, to exchange our anger for compassion, grace and mercy.

What is one thing you can do to personally align your dreams for the world a little closer to God's dream for the world?

Where or to whom in your life have you been showing anger where instead you should be extending grace?

Pray for those people or situations and that we might remember what we carry from God – BE A GRACE GIVER.