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The Second Chance: Jonah 3

I. When God calls you to mission:

¹Then the word of the LORD came to Jonah a second time: ²"Go to the great city of Nineveh and proclaim to it the message I give you."

1. Remember God is a God of second chances.

³Jonah obeyed the word of the LORD and went to Nineveh. Now Nineveh was a very large city; it took three days to go through it.

2. When God calls you, He also empowers you.

⁴Jonah began by going a day's journey into the city, proclaiming, "Forty more days and Nineveh will be overthrown." ⁵The Ninevites believed God.

3. When we obey God, He speaks through us.

II. When God calls you to face the truth:

1. Recognize your foolish behavior displeases God.

⁶When Jonah's warning reached the king of Nineveh, he rose from his throne, took off his royal robes, covered himself with sackcloth and sat down in the dust. ^{8b}"Let everyone call urgently on God. Let them give up their evil ways and their violence."

2. Give up what displeases God.

⁹"Who knows? God may yet relent and with compassion turn from his fierce anger so that we will not perish."

3. Take the risk of entrusting your life to God.