

This week, we introduced the story of Jonah, who ran from God’s will. Jonah’s story is a powerful example of someone who tried to flee from God’s calling. We explored the consequences of running from God’s will but also saw the incredible grace that God showed Jonah.

As we seek to partner with families at home, the resource below will help you engage in conversations with your teenager about our midweek series!

***THINK:***

We will all face moments when we feel the pull to go our own way or do our own thing. Whether it’s avoiding God’s direction, making the right choice, or choosing our own comfort over obedience. Jonah’s story reminds us that running from God’s will doesn’t mean it’s the end of our journey or that God is done with us. In fact, it’s a humbling invitation to return back to God and receive His grace. What would it look like for your student to see God’s pursuit of them not as a punishment but as an opportunity to find restoration?

***READ:***

Jonah 1:1-3 says, “*Now the word of the Lord came to Jonah the son of Amittai, saying,**“Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and call out against it, for their evil has come up before me.”**But Jonah rose to flee to Tarshish from the presence of the Lord.”*

***ASK:***

Use the questions below to ask your student questions about the truths from our series. Look for ways to share personally, bring encouragement, and create a space for meaningful conversations.

* Why do you think Jonah tried to run from God’s will?
* What does it mean to you that even when you run from God, He still loves you and pursues you?

***PRAY:***

Pray for your student this week that they would:

* Know that no matter how far they run from God, God’s love will always pursue them.
* Have the courage to follow God, even when it’s difficult, scary, or unknown.

We are praying for your family this week! Please let us know if there’s anything we can do for you!