

#### **4 Questions for the passage (self-study):**

*What is God teaching us about Himself?*

*What is God teaching us about our self?*

*What is God teaching us about others?*

*So what?*

## **Why do we need the Bible – To See Beyond Today!**

### **Explore the Bible and it will Change Your Life!**

It will lead you home(Gen-Deut); Discover God's Plan(Josh-Esth); To Understand Life(Job-Songs)

“Surely the Sovereign LORD does nothing without revealing his plan to his servants the prophets.” Amos 3:78

July 9, 2023 – Pastor Matt

June 25 – The Big Picture

July 2 – Speak the Truth Even when it Hurts!

**July 9 – The Unlimited Scope of God's Message**

**Focus Text: Jonah 1:1-10**

Introduction:

- Carefully crafted messages to all nations, God is **MERCIFUL** and has a plan!

**Hosea – Brazen UNREPENTENCE**

- Pre-exilic – Israel – **UNFAITHFUL**

**Joel – Priests called to ALIGNMENT**

- Pre-exilic – Judah – Stay **FOCUSED**

**Amos – Self-SATISFACTION is not self-SUSTAINING.**

- Pre-exilic – Israel – Inequity & **INJUSTICE**

**Obadiah – Security not found in your SURROUNDINGS.**

- Pre-exilic – Edom – Self-**CONFIDENCE**

**Jonah – God cares when we DON'T.**

- Pre-exilic – Assyrians – **GRACE** for all

**Micah – Pay ATTENTION**

- Pre-exilic – Judah – **JUDGEMENT** coming.

**Nahum – ACCOUNTABILITY comes.**

- Pre-exilic – Assyrians – Kingdom **COLLAPSE**

**Habakkuk – JUST God in an EVIL world**

- Pre-exilic – Judah – Courage in **TROUBLED** times

**Zephaniah – Coming DAY of the Lord**

- Pre-exilic – Judah – Judgement to **SALVATION**

**Haggai – Rebuild believing in the FUTURE.**

- Post-exilic – Exiles – **TEMPLE** has value.

**Zachariah – Repent and be RESTORED.**

- Post-exilic – Exiles – Messiah will **REIGN**.

**Malachi – Social and spiritual POVERTY.**

- Post-exilic – Exiles – Expect **MORE**.

**SO What – NOW What...** Truth transcends culture and date –  
Be **FAITHFUL** - God ultimately brings life to His final end.

