

**Minor Prophets**  
*Gail Arterburn –2023*

Monday, 9:30 – 11:00 am  
To be discussed –11/20/23

Jonah - Lesson 4  
Jonah 4:1-11

1. Read Jonah 4:1-4. What was Jonah's response to God's compassion for the Ninevites? Why? How did he try to justify his action of fleeing to Tarshish?
2. What attributes of God caused Jonah to get so angry? Why should he have been thankful instead?
3. How was Jonah's attitude similar to that of the unmerciful servant (Matt. 18:23-25), the elder son (Luke 15:11-31) and the Pharisees (Mark 2:15-17)?
4. Read Jonah 4:5-9. Why did Jonah build a shelter outside of the city and wait instead of going home?
5. Jonah repeatedly expressed his desire to die. What one thing did God finally do that made Jonah "very happy"? Why? What does that tell you about Jonah?
6. Why do you think God provided the vine one day, and the worm, hot sun and wind the next? Did Jonah like God's sovereignty any better than God's compassion? Did he have any right to be angry?
7. In the grand scheme of life, how important was the vine? What should that teach us?
8. Read Jonah 4:10-11. What was God's greater concern? (See also John 3:16, 2 Pet. 3:9)
9. What was meaningful to you about yourself or about God from your study of Jonah?