

"A Heart Divided" Jonah 3:10-4:9 ◆ Pastor Jim Lennon February 18, 2024

Introduction –*After Jonah's preaching bringing spiritual revival in Nineveh, Jonah collapses in anger toward God. Today we continue to explore why.*

I. A Divided Heart.

- A. See James 1:5-8.
- B. The context of James suggests that a divided heart usually shows up when we are going through a trial.
- C. At the root of a divided heart is a rival god.

II. A Rival God.

- A. A rival god is something we rely other than God for meaning, purpose and happiness.
- B. Jonah got mad at God because God didn't give him what he wanted.
- C. What did Jonah want that he HAD to have in order to find purpose and happiness?

- D. Jonah's anger reveals that he was actually serving a rival god.
- E. Are you carrying two gods?
- F. Who is the functional master of your life?
 - 1. How do you respond to disappointment?
 - 2. When do you get most down on yourself?

III. Healing a Divided Heart.

- A. Identify the rival god.
- B. Repent and confess it as sin.
- C. Give your heart back to Jesus completely.

Conclusion.