LIVING OUT MY LIFE MISSION (part 1) February 14, 2021

"In the same way that the Father gave me a mission in the world, I give you a mission in the world." John 17:18

"If you insist on living for yourself, you're going to lose your life. Only those who give away their lives for my sake and the sake of the good news will ever know what it means to really live." Mark 8:35

TEN LESSONS FROM JONAH ABOUT MY LIFE MISSION

1.	My life mission
	"One day, God spoke his word to Jonah, the son of Amittai." Jonah 1:1
2.	My life mission
	"I want you to get up and go to the great city of Nineveh" Jonah 1:2a
3.	My life mission
	"go to the great city of Nineveh and tell them that I see all the evil happening there and I won't ignore it." Jonah 1:2b
4.	My life mission
	"But Jonah ran away from the presence of the Lord." Jonah 1:3a
5.	Running from my life mission can have bad consequences.
	• If I run from God,
	"Jonah went down to Joppa where he found a ship headed for the port of Tarshish. He paid the price to sail to Tarshish and went down below deck, hoping to get as far from God as he could." Jonah 1:3b
	• If I run from God,
	"He paid the price to sail to Tarshish." Jonah 1:3b
	• If I run from God,
	"But as the ship was sailing, the Lord sent an opposing wind" Jon 1:4a
	If I run from God,
	"the opposing wind created such a massive storm that the ship was in danger of breaking up. All the sailors were terrified and each cried out to his own god. And they threw the cargo into the sea to lighten the load." Jonah 1:4b-5

6.	The longer I run from God,
	"Now the storm was getting worse and the waves got rougher, so again they asked Jonah, 'What should we do to stop the storm and calm everything down?'" Jonah 1:11
	"Throw me overboard down into the sea.' Jonah said, 'and everything will calm down. I know that it is my fault that you're having to fight this terrible storm.'" Jonah 1:12
7.	If I am fighting God's plan,
	"Instead, the sailors tried harder to row the ship back to land and safety. But they could not turn it around for the raging storm was out of control." Jonah 1:13
8.	When I do what God wants,
	"Finally, the sailors cried out to Jonah's God, 'O Lord, do not let us die because of this man's life. And do not hold us responsible for his death, because you, Lord, sent this storm for your purpose." Jonah 1:14
	"Then they took Jonah and threw him overboard, and immediately the raging sea calmed down." Jonah 1:15
9.	When I do what God wants,
	"When the sailors saw this happen, they were awestruck by God's greatness and they worshiped God. They offered a sacrifice and made vows to God." Jonah 1:16
10.	When I accept my life mission,
	"Now the Lord prepared a great fish to swallow up Jonah, and Jonah was inside that great fish for three days and nights." Jonah 1:17