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MARCH 10, 2024
10 AM WORSHIP
BRIAN GERBER, PASTOR

WELCOME TO BETHEL

SONGS OF PRAISE AND WORSHIP

102 I Stand Amazed in the Presence

~ PLEASE FILL OUT & RETURN PRAYER CARDS AT THIS TIME ~

298 There is Power in the Blood

302 Lead Me to Calvary

SCRIPTURE READING: Jonah 2

MESSAGE: "In a Place with Nowhere to Run"

Rob Thornsby, guest minister

MISSIONS: OASIS OF HOPE PREGNANCY CENTER

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLOSING HYMN

362 The Cleansing Wave

PLEASE JOIN US DOWNSTAIRS FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL AT 11:25 AM

In a Place with Nowhere to Run Jonah 2:1-4

Opening Remarks:

1. The personal word of the Lord directs Jonah to Nineveh.
2. The alternative plan to obedience has life altering consequences.
3. The truth is about to come to the forefront.
4. The time when the options run out. The end of the line is near.
5. Jonah's position now is exactly where God wants him – 1-4

I. Jonah, in a captive jail cell

- A. Until he is convinced what he is to do (1)
- B. He now offers a prayer to his God.

II. Jonah, in the 3 D Zone, in the deepest depths of despair - (2)

- A. He called out of his distress
- B. He cried out from the depth of Sheol (Out of the womb of hell)
- C. He was spiritually far from God, in an unseen world

III. Jonah describes his condition at the moment (3).

- A. He was cast into the deep, into the heart of the seas
- B. He was engulfed by the current.
- C. He was passed over by your breakers and billows
- D. He is being taken to a place he has never seen/been before

IV. Jonah's assessment of his condition (4)

- A. God had expelled him from His sight
- B. Being so far away from God that he feels severed
- C. The answer to all this - Prayer

Closing Comments: Being expelled from the sight of God is a place hopefully no one wants to be
