



**Sermon Title: "Resenting God's Grace"**

**Scripture: Jonah 4**

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**v. 1-5: Jonah was furious over his perception of injustice by God.**

*Scripture: Nahum 3:19*

- Anger is often the response to perceived injustice or wrongdoing.
- Jonah's unrighteous anger was the obvious product of a heart issue. (Luke 6:45)

**v. 6-8: God sovereignly orchestrated an experiential learning session for Jonah.**

*Scripture: 2 Corinthians 12:7-10; James 1:2-4*

**v. 9: Jonah's unreasonable anger revealed the roots of anger in his heart.** (4:9)

*Scripture: Genesis 3:9, 11*

**v. 9-11: God graciously probed Jonah's heart to reveal his folly & God's loving-kindness.**

*Scripture: Psalm 145:8-9; Psalm 139:23-24*

**Conclusion:** *When we are confronted with our anger, we naturally attempt to rationalize and explain, when what is needed is silent examination and humility. (Isaiah 57:15)*

### **Questions for Further Study, Reflection, and Application...**

1. What is the source of Jonah's initial anger? How might he have justified his anger?
2. In what ways do we see God's grace to Jonah in chapter 4? Do you think it felt like grace to Jonah?
3. How does God reveal the unreasonable nature of Jonah's anger? What was the real root of Jonah's anger?
4. How might our anger reveal sin in our hearts? How do we attempt to justify our anger?
5. What is significant about the ending of Jonah 4 – God gets the last word and Jonah is silent?