Sunday, June 28, 2020 - Hope Fellowship Church Sermon Notes, Pastor Dale Melenberg

Running: The Story of Jonah

Running With – <u>Jonah Chapter 3</u>

(Share your answer with another, or write them down.)

Jonah's Message: "40 more days and Nineveh will be overthrown!" verse 4
There is no mention of God, or a call for repentance,
was this the message God gave to Jonah?
What do you think of the word 'overthrown'?

Your Own Message:

How does your life speak the full message of God?

Does it speak God's name, does it offer grace?

Running With God: "The Ninevites believed God." Verse 5

The whole city repented – even the livestock!

And God relented – and in compassion turned away his fierce anger.

Have you ever experienced such grace? Share your story with someone.

Compare 'overthrown' in Jonah 3:5 with Gen. 19: 21 and 1 Sam. 10:6. Does your story include an element of being changed into a different person? Share your experience with someone.

Are You Running:

To run with God one must believe, repent, and then be transformed.

Are you running with other peoples who are running with God? Collectively, are you embracing and enfolding others into your running pack?

Jonah preached the good news by preaching the bad news

- is it possible to preach the good news without mention of the bad news?