

### **Questions for Further Reflection – Obadiah:**

1. How is God's Sovereignty evident in the world? In the church? In our lives? What does it truly mean to trust that God is Sovereign and that God's will *will* be done? How does this allow us to live freer, more grace-ful lives? How does it free us to become a vital part of God's Sovereign Kingdom?
2. How do Obadiah's words give comfort to the Israelites in the wake of their defeat? How do we give voice to our pain and anger when we feel we have been wronged? How might Obadiah's words bring comfort to us today? To you?
3. Think about how you have been wronged in your life. Who would you like to hear Obadiah condemn on your behalf? What would he list as the wrongs done to you? What would he list as the punishment from the Lord?

### **Questions for Further Reflection – Jonah:**

1. Why did Jonah run away from the Lord? What excuses do *we* use to run away from the Lord? How does God use Jonah's disobedience for his purposes? How does God continue to use people who are disobedient today? (Try and think of specific examples.)
2. How might we proclaim Good News to those we see as enemies? Is it best to do it like Jonah, let people know the wrath of the Lord is coming upon them? Or can you think of other/better ways that we can speak of the love and grace of God in ways that our enemies might hear it? How should we respond to those who repent?
3. Pastor Tim said God doesn't want his enemies wiped out, he wants them won over. Think of the list you made in question #3 above. How might you practice the same grace and forgiveness God does? How might you let go of your desire to see those people condemned and find a way to show them the God of grace is at work in you?