

# How to Save a City

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## I. Introduction.

A. Text: Jonah 3.

B. If some part of one's relationship is not right, God works on that area to get it right.

C. There were several factors involved in the amazing miracle of Nineveh's repentance.

## II. Nineveh was a great city in history, size and splendor.

## III. Nineveh was a great concern for God.

## IV. Noah was given a great commission.

A. The task seemed insurmountable.

B. However, there was much going for Jonah.

1. Jonah had God's call.

2. Jonah had God's message.

3. Jonah was a walking miracle--he died in the fish and rose again.

## V. There was a great change in heart.

## VI. There was a great condemnation. (Matthew 12:38)

A. Jesus was greater than Jonah in his person, love and sacrifice, so his judgment was greater.

B. Nineveh condemns us today because it heard one preacher and repented.

**Application questions:**

1. Do you share the same concern for your city that God had for Nineveh? What can you do to foster a similar heart?

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2. When have you seen God overcome seemingly insurmountable tasks? Why should we find faith in evangelism all the more?

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3. Some say that condemnation should not be a part of evangelization. How would you respond? Explain.

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