

# Message Notes

## **“Anywhere But Here”**

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### **Jonah 1:1-17**

#### **God will often ask us to do things we don't want to do.**

*“The word of the Lord came to Jonah son of Amittai: ‘Go to the great city of Nineveh and preach against it, because its wickedness has come up before me.’”  
(Jonah 1:1-2)*

#### **We can always find a ship sailing in the wrong direction.**

*“But Jonah ran away from the LORD and headed for Tarshish. He went down to Joppa, where he found a ship bound for that port. After paying the fare, he went aboard and sailed for Tarshish to flee from the LORD.” (Jonah 1:3)*

#### **God may send a storm to get our attention.**

*“Then the Lord sent a great wind on the sea, and such a violent storm arose that the ship threatened to break up. All the sailors were afraid and each cried out to his own god. And they threw the cargo into the sea to lighten the ship. But Jonah had gone below deck, where he lay down and fell into a deep sleep.” (Jonah 1:4-5)*

#### **Our worst nightmare might be exactly what we need.**

*“Then they took Jonah and threw him overboard, and the raging sea grew calm. <sup>16</sup>At this the men greatly feared the LORD, and they offered a sacrifice to the Lord and made vows to him. <sup>17</sup>Now the Lord provided a huge fish to swallow Jonah, and Jonah was in the belly of the fish three days and three nights.” (Jonah 1:15-17)*

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