## God's Plan of Salvation

 just now beginning to see. All of this points to a creator who created order and majesty for us. In doing so, He gave us undeniable proof of His existence, all we have to do is to look at it honestly. Job $\mathbf{1 2 : 7 - 9}$ (KJV) "But ask now the beasts, and they shall teach thee; and the fowls of the air, and they shall tell thee: Or speak to the earth, and it shall teach thee: and the fishes of the sea shall declare unto thee. Who knoweth not in all these that the hand of the LORD hath wrought this?"
## Our Family News

Traveling/Working / Michael and Tracy will be leaving us on November 19 ${ }^{\text {th }}$. Charles is in Kotzebue.
Pray For/ Josiah, Helen Spicer, and Peggy. Pray for each other daily. Radio Programs / Listen to "Searching the Scriptures," our weekly radio program on KMBQ 99.7 Sunday mornings beginning at 9:00 AM.

Today's Scripture / Amos 4:13 (KJV) "For, lo, he that formeth the mountains, and createth the wind, and declareth unto man what is his thought, that maketh the morning darkness, and treadeth upon the high places of the earth, The LORD, The God of hosts, is his name."

Wisdom for Today / Psalm 90:2 (KJV) "Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, thou art God."

## AM Sermon / George Jensen PM Sermon / George Jensen

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"I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the Lord." Psalm 122:1

## Overlooked Lessons

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The Holy Bible is full of lessons for humanity. It teaches us how we came to be (Genesis I-3), it teaches us why we came to be' Ecclesiastes 12:13 (KJV)
"Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man." And it teaches us what will be our destiny. Matthew 25:3I-46 (KJV) "When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory: And before him shall be gathered all nations: and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats: And he shall set the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on the left. Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: For I was an hungred, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me in: Naked, and ye clothed me: I was sick, and ye visited me: I was in prison, and ye came unto me. Then shall the righteous answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungred, and fed thee? or thirsty, and gave thee drink? When saw we thee a stranger, and took thee in? or naked, and clothed thee? Or when saw we thee sick, or in prison, and came unto thee? And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me. Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels: For I was an hungred, and ye gave me no meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me no drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me not in: naked, and ye clothed me not: sick, and in prison, and ye visited me not. Then shall they also answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungred, or athirst, or a stranger, or naked, or sick, or in prison, and did not minister unto thee? Then shall he answer them, saying, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye did it not to one of the least of these, ye did it not to me. And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal."

But there are other lessons in the pages of the Bible that we often overlook. We all know the story of Jonah, how God told him to go to Nineveh and preach to them. We all remember how Jonah did not want to go there so he decided to go somewhere else. While traveling in a ship, a storm came and the sailors threw him overboard where he was swallowed by a large fish and was in the belly of the fish for three days and three nights. The fish eventually spit him onto dry ground and he then went to Nineveh and preached. When he preached there they entire city
repented, and God did forgave them which caused Jonah to become upset because God didn't destroy the city.

In order to understand some of the overlooked lessons in this book, we need first to understand why Johan didn't want to go to Nineveh. Nineveh was an Assyrian city which were sworn enemies of the Jews. To Jonah, asking him to go preach in Nineveh would be similar to being asked to go preach to the Taliban. Understanding this we can begin to see some of the overlooked lessons in Jonah.

- There is no place on earth where a person can run to in order to escape from God. Romans 2:3 (KJV) "And thinkest thou this, O man, that judgest them which do such things, and doest the same, that thou shalt escape the judgment of God?" Job thought that he could run away from God but found out that he could not.
- Even hardened sinners can see the power of God and become worshipers of him. The sailors plead with their gods to no avail. When Jonah told them that he feared the Lord God and told them that the storm would abate if they threw him overboard, they tried to row to shore but could not. Finally, they threw him overboard and immediately the seas became calm. When this happened they worshiped God, made sacrifices to Him and took vows (Jonah I:I5-I6)
- It is not our place to decide who will and who will not repent. Jonah did this when he tried to run to Tarshish rather than go to Nineveh. He did not believe that they would repent and was afraid to go there. When he went and preached the entire city repented and turned to God (Jonah 3:5-10).
- When sinners repent, we should rejoice. To often we are like Jonah and are dissatisfied that they repented and are disappointed that God forgives them (Jonah 4:1). How often have we heard people say after a apostate repents and comes back to God or a sinner believes and becomes a Christian something like "I just don't believe that he means it." Or, "She is putting on a show, I know that she won't last long." Instead we should rejoice with them, build them up and help them through the temptations that Satan is sure to throw their way.

When we study the Bible, let's not hurry through it. Instead, let us take our time and search for the hidden lessons that God has put there for us to discover. Our lives will be richer for the time we spend searching the words of God.

