



Jonah: God's Pursuit of The Reluctant Prophet

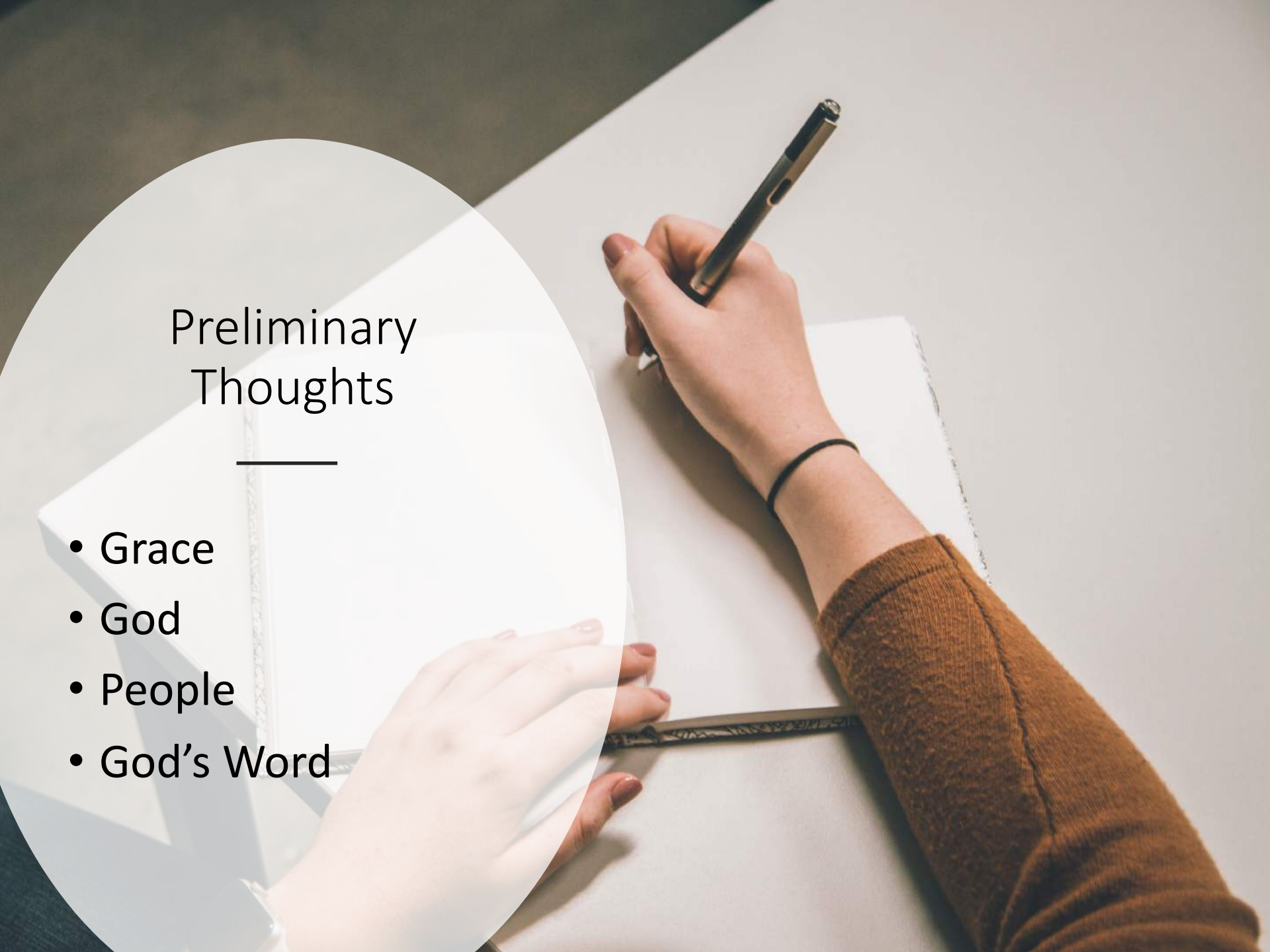
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Then the word of the LORD came to Jonah the second time, saying, “Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and call out against it the message that I tell you.” So Jonah arose and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly great city, three days' journey in breadth. Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's journey. And he called out, “Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!” And the people of Nineveh believed God. They called for a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them to the least of them.

The word reached the king of Nineveh, and he arose from his throne, removed his robe, covered himself with sackcloth, and sat in ashes. And he issued a proclamation and published through Nineveh, “By the decree of the king and his nobles: Let neither man nor beast, herd nor flock, taste anything. Let them not feed or drink water, but let man and beast be covered with sackcloth, and let them call out mightily to God. Let everyone turn from his evil way and from the violence that is in his hands. Who knows? God may turn and relent and turn from his fierce anger, so that we may not perish.”

When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil way, God relented of the disaster that he had said he would do to them, and he did not do it.

A photograph of a person's hands writing in a notebook. The person is wearing a brown sweater and a black hair tie. The notebook is open, and the pen is held in the right hand. A semi-transparent white circle is overlaid on the left side of the image, containing the text 'Preliminary Thoughts' and a list of four items: 'Grace', 'God', 'People', and 'God's Word'.

Preliminary Thoughts

- Grace
- God
- People
- God's Word

THE POWER OF GOD'S WORD



PSALM 96
Call to Worship the Lord

O COME, let us sing for joy to the Lord;
Let us shout joyfully to the rock of our
salvation. Ps. 96:1-2

2 Let us come before His presence with
thanksgiving, a song of melodious
psalms. Ps. 96:1-2; Eph. 5:19; James 5:13

3 For the Lord is a great God,
And a great King above all gods. Ps. 96:1

4 In whose hand are the depths of the
earth. Ps. 136:6

5 The peaks of the mountains are His
altars. Ps. 96:9

6 The sea is His, for it was He who made
the sea. Ps. 96:10

7 "Ascribe to the Lord, O families of
the peoples,
Ascribe to the Lord glory and
strength. Ps. 96:7-8; Ps. 29:1, 2

8 "Ascribe to the Lord the glory of His
name,
Bring an offering and come into His
courts. Ps. 96:8; Ps. 124:10

9 Worship the Lord in "holy attire;
Tremble before Him, all the earth.
Ps. 96:9

10 Say among the nations, "The Lord
rejoices,
Indeed, the world is firmly established,
It will not be moved." Ps. 96:10-11

11 Let the "heavens be glad, and let the
earth rejoice,
Let the sea roar, and all its inhabitants.
Ps. 96:11-12



TO
CREATE
FAITH



TO IGNITE
PRAYER



TO BRING
REPENTANCE