

Read Prayerfully

TODAY'S PASSAGE:

Jonah 2

Begin today's assignment by spending time in prayer, telling God what you hope to accomplish from this Bible study and ask Him to show you what He wants you to know.

Read Jonah 2 straight through.

Read the same passage again, this time pausing to think of your own situations that may be somewhat comparable to Jonah's. As they come to mind, stop to ask for God's guidance dealing with each one.

Read through Jonah 2 a third time. This time use the observational skills you have already learned.

- What do you find significant about this prayer based on the context of where it is taking place?
- What can you discover about prayer based on Jonah's setting? His honesty? His state of mind? His willingness to learn from his experience and change?
- What does this prayer tell you about Jonah? What does it tell you about God?
- How do you think Jonah's life might have been different if he had stopped to pray before finding himself in this predicament?