



# *Rehoboth Reformed Church*

## Thoroughly Equipped Radio Program Outline

August 18, 2013

### **Title: Is It Possible To Misuse The Truth? (Jonah 4:1-6)**

**Main Point.** It is astonishing to consider how Jonah could misuse his knowledge of God as was revealed to him in the Holy Scriptures. Yet how often are we guilty of the same?

**Bible Study Methods:** While reading any passage of Scripture, we must keep in mind the teaching of the rest of Scripture (i.e. the various contexts). One of these contexts is what God has revealed about himself (the theological context) and what God wants us to do. Jonah's faith is informed by the previous revelation of God. So should ours.

#### **I. Jonah's response to God's mercy to those he hates (v. 1)**

#### **II. His justification for his hatred - because God is good (v. 2)**

#### **III. Jonah's sinful request to die (v. 3)**

#### **IV. God's compassion on His rebellious prophet (v. 4)**

#### **V. Jonah's sinful response to god's mercy & compassion to him (v. 5-6)**

**Conclusion:** The Scriptures are likened to a extremely sharp, two edged sword. They can be used for good or for evil. We must careful to know, believe and use them correctly, lest we become guilty like Jonah who misused his knowledge.

**Preparations for next Sunday's program:** We will continue to study one of the most fascinating books of the Bible that record God's dealing with a rebellious prophet and how He showed His mercy to many who didn't deserve it. Please read Jonah chapter 4 and consider how what you know about God affects your action on a day to day basis.

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