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Application — Five Takeaways

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Jonah 4:1-11

1. Unhappily, like Jonah, some people know God and how wonderful God is and still oppose the will of God and even try to prevent God from doing His will.
2. Jonah became angry with God when God would not act according to his will. Jonah's anger led him to act and pray unreasonably, so can the anger of anyone, even those who claim to follow Jesus.
3. God's love and concern for them helps people believe in Him, repent, and worship Him. Even the most pagan and evil people can be led to love and trust in God.
4. Though Jonah knew and served God, he was totally self-absorbed, self-centered, selfish, hateful toward others, unforgiving of his enemies, angry at God, and unreasonable. As Christians, we need to pray and avoid adopting these characteristics.
5. We do not know with certainty, but we do know about God's character; therefore, God probably continued to discipline Jonah until he repented as did the Ninevites.

Your Application — Your Takeaway Notes

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