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JONAH: FLIGHT FROM DUTY

INTRODUCTION

"Flight from" - depart, abandon, exit, dereliction, AWOL.

"Duty" - a work or task, obligation, job, chore, a given assignment

1. JONAH AND HIS DUTY

- 1) **Jonah's duty was clear** - (Jonah 1:2-3) "Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and cry out against it; for their wickedness has come up before Me ..."
- 2) **Jonah's duty was disagreeable** - the specific reason is not given.
(v3) "But Jonah arose to flee to Tarshish from the presence of the Lord ..."
- 3) **Jonah's duty was evaded** - circumstances were conducive to his flight.
(v3) "He went down to Joppa, and found a ship going to Tarshish; so he paid the fare, and went down into it"

2. THE CHRISTIAN AND HIS DUTY

- 1) **The Christian life is a life of duty, service, and stewardship**

(Luke 17:10) "... We have done what was our duty to do."

(1 Cor. 4:1-2) "it is required in stewards that one be found faithful"

(Rev. 2:10) "... Be thou faithful until death ..."

- 2) **Love one another**

(John 13:34-35) "A new commandment ..."

(1 John 4:11, v21) "And this commandment we have from Him ..."

- 3) **Worship**

(John 4:24) "... must worship in spirit and truth ..."

(Hebrews 10:23-25) "... not forsaking the assembling ..."

- 4) **Spiritual growth reaching maturity**

(1 John 3:17-18) "... but grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord ..."

(1 Thess. 5:21; 2 Tim. 2:15; 1 Peter 3:15)

- 5) **Benevolence** - (Galatians 6:9-10; Titus 3:1)

3. CONCLUSIONS REGARDING "DUTY"

- 1) **Duty is inescapable.**
- 2) **Duty is non-transferable**
- 3) **Duty is revealing** - revealing your love, character, and destiny