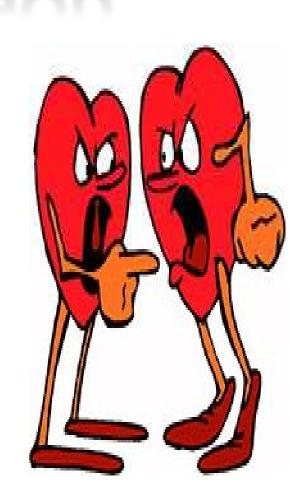
1-Have you ever **disagreed strongly** with God?

2-Have you ever been at **Logger-Heads** with God?

3-Have you ever decided **that's it God** I'm out of here?

4-You End Up....



Jonah 1: 1-3 NIV

- ¹ The word of the LORD came to Jonah son of Amittai:
- ² "Go to the great city of Nineveh and preach against it, because its wickedness has come up before me."
- ³ But Jonah ran away from the LORD and headed for Tarshish. He went down to Joppa, where he found a ship bound for that port.

After paying the fare, he went aboard and sailed for Tarshish to flee from the LORD.

² "Go to the great city of Nineveh and preach against it, because its **wickedness** has come up before me."

- flaying (cutting skin into strips and pulling it off a living victim)
- Beheading
- impaling (inserting a sharpened stake beneath the rib cage of a living victim, putting the stake into the ground so it stood erect, and leaving the victim until the stake pierced a vital organ causing the victim to die)
- Burning people (especially babies and children) alive
- - Severing hands, feet, noses, ears, tongues, and testicles
- Gouging out eyes.

- ² "Go to the great city of Nineveh and preach against it, because its wickedness has come up before me."
- Knowing exactly what God requires of me and been unwilling to comply in any shape or form.

Disobedience: What it looks like?

- But Jonah ran away from the LORD and headed for Tarshish. He went down to Joppa, where he found a ship bound for that port. After paying the fare, he went aboard and sailed for Tarshish to flee from the LORD.
- With Jonah it was doing the exact opposite to what was required of him.

Defiance: What it looks like?

Ecclesiastes 12:13- (NIV)

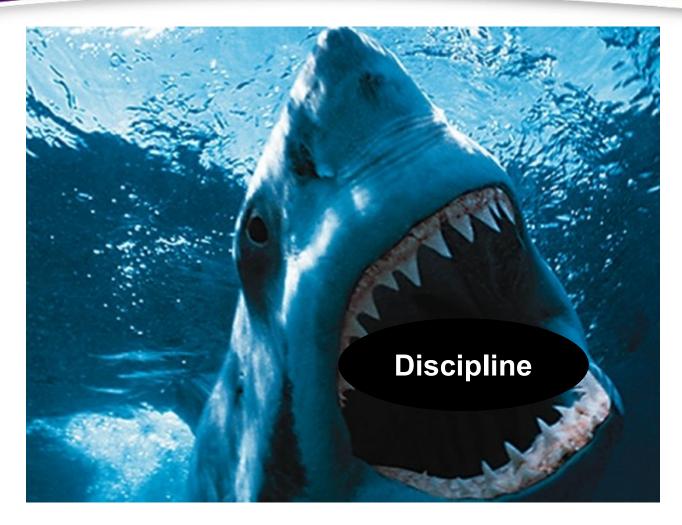
Now all has been heard; here is the conclusion of the matter: **Fear** God and keep his commandments for this is the **dut**y of all

Ecclesiastes 12:13- (NASB)

Fear God and keep His commandments, because this **applies** *to* every person.

Deuteronomy 8:5-6 NIV

- ⁵ Know then in your heart that as a man disciplines his son, so the LORD your God disciplines you.
- ⁶ Observe the commands of the LORD your God, walking in obedience to him and revering him.



Disobedience

Defiance

 4 Then the LORD sent a great wind on the sea, and such a violent storm arose that the ship threatened to break up.

Free: to make our own choices

 ¹⁷ Now the LORD provided a huge fish to swallow Jonah, and Jonah was in the belly of the fish three days and three nights.

Not Free:

when it comes to the consequences

How do we respond to...



What About...

- What about the people who may depending on my obedience?
- What about the cost of saying NO?
- What are benefits in saying yes?

How do we respond to...



3- Lessons from Jonah

1-Calling

2-Responibility

3-Accountability

Galatians (AMP)

⁸ Let us not grow weary *or* become discouraged in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap, if we do

not give in.

