

Does God Change His Mind?

Jonah 3:1-10

I. Mankind is learning how to deal with change, but we will _____ have to learn to deal with God changing.

A. The doctrine of Scripture that says God is unchanging is called the _____ of God.

1. God is subject to _____ change in His being
 - a. Psalm 102:26-27 says: ... You are the same, and Your years will have no end
 - b. Jonah 3:10
 - c. Hebrews 13:8-9
 - d. Malachi 3:6

B. There are at least 3 places in the scriptures where we read of God changing

1. 1 Samuel 15:9-15 - ...I regret that I have made Saul king...
2. Genesis 6:7 - ...I will blot out man whom I have created...
3. Jonah 3:10 - ...then God relented concerning the calamity which He had declared...

a. How can we trust God for tomorrow – **if we are _____, He will change?** Jonah's 5 word five-word sermon (in Hebrew): “¹Yet (סָוֹד) ²forty (אַרְבָּעִים ar·ba·'im) ³days (יָמִים yo·vm), ⁴and Nineveh (נִינְוָה ve·ni·ne·veh) ⁵shall be overthrown (נֶחֱפָצֶת neh·pa·chet)!”

b. What followed: _____ from powerful to powerless all turned to God

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Isaiah 55:8-9 For My thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways My ways...

II. God _____ us in the Bible through “anthropomorphisms”

1. Deuteronomy 33:27
2. John 10:29
3. Isaiah 66:1
4. 2 Peter 3:8-10; 14-15
5. Joshua 1:8
6. Jonah 4:1-4

Because God is unchanging and _____, we can count on Him