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Work in Progress

INTRO REMARKS:

Thomas Carlisle's poem "You, Jonah" (last two stanzas):

*And Jonah stalked to his shaded seat and waited
for God to come around to his way of thinking.*

*And God is still waiting for a host of Jonah's in
their comfortable houses to come around to His
way of loving.*

“DIVING INTO” OUR PASSAGE:

1. Jonah's objection: Reveals his rebellious heart (1-3).
2. God's object lesson (the plant) reveals Jonah's divided heart (4-9).
3. God's objective: forgiveness, a loving heart (10-11).

MAIN TAKEAWAY:

When we lose God's love for others we will become consumed by our own desires and prejudices...self-centered.

APPLYING TO LIFE:

Become God-centered instead of self-centered. Let God replace your prejudices, anger and frustration with his love for people.