

# JONAH

Criticized as a “myth”

Accepted as true by Jesus,

Matthew 12:38-41...

As true as His death and resurrection!

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Cited as a prophet  
from Gath-Hepher,  
in II Kings 14:25



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Commissioned by God  
to go to Nineveh,  
The capital city of Assyria



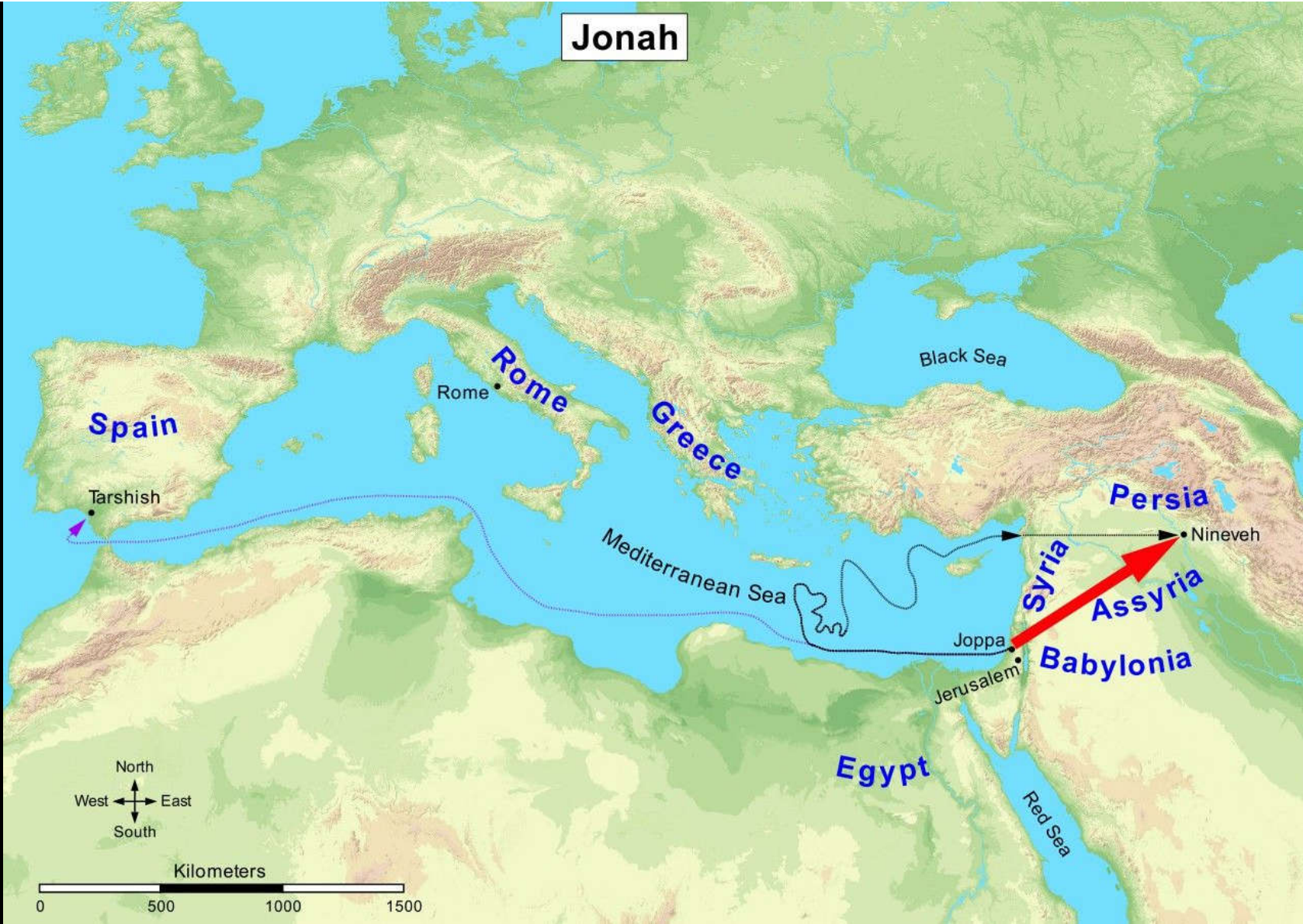
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- JONAH 3: The Preaching Prophet
- JONAH 4: The Pouting Prophet!

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- His Plight, 4-5.
- His Interrogation, 6-11.
- His Proposal, 12.
- His Postponement, 13.

# JONAH 1: The Prodigal Prophet

- His Plunge, 14-16.
- His Provision, 17.

## What Do We Learn About God in Jonah 1?

- God is a gracious and merciful and patient God!
- God is a powerful God!
- God WILL get His way!
- God is a worthy of our fear!

# What Do We Learn About Jonah (and us!) in Jonah 1?

- Jonah was given a great privilege and responsibility by God...to proclaim the message of God.
- God's people can act as bad or worse than unbelievers!
- The importance of DOING what you know God wants you to do! (Disobedience is foolish!)

## What Do We Learn About God in Jonah 1?

- The sinfulness of prejudice!
- The sinfulness of enjoying God's grace ourselves, but not extending it to others!
- The importance of leaders being GODLY leaders!
- The danger of relying on "circumstances" to determine God's will...especially when He has spoken about it in His Word!

IS THERE SOMETHING  
THAT YOU KNOW  
GOD WANTS YOU TO DO  
THAT YOU  
AREN'T DOING???

## Study plan...

1. Go through the chapter to understand the story.
2. Go back through the chapter to learn what we can about God!
3. Go back through the chapter, again, to learn what we can about Jonah...  
and ourselves!

## JONAH 2: The Praying Prophet

- The Location of his prayer, 2:1.
- The Occasion of his prayer, 2:1.
- The Recipient of his prayer, 2:1.



Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
who according to His great mercy has caused us  
to be born again to a living hope through  
the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,  
to *obtain* an inheritance *which is* imperishable and  
undefiled and will not fade away,  
reserved in heaven for you,  
who are protected by the power of God through faith  
for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

1 Peter 1:3-5

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- The Content of his Prayer, 2:2-9.
  - ✓ Overview: I called; You heard and answered, 2.
  - ✓ He Recognized God's discipline, 3.
  - ✓ He Responded to God's discipline, 4.
  - ✓ He Elaborated on God's discipline, 5-6a
  - ✓ He Acknowledged God's mercy, 6b.
  - ✓ Review, again, 7
  - ✓ He recommitted himself to obedience, 8-9

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- God's Response to his prayer, 10.

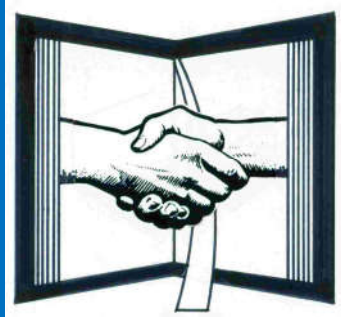
## JONAH 2: What Do We Learn About God?

1. His patience with a stubborn and rebellious prophet!
2. The lengths God will go to in order to restore a rebellious child! Discipline!
3. The freedom and grace of God's forgiveness! The "Scandal" of God's Grace!

## JONAH 2: What Do We Learn About Jonah (and ourselves)?

1. The futility of disobeying God...the importance of obedience!
2. Forgiveness is available immediately!
3. The importance of immediate confession!
4. Jonah prayed God's Word to Him...but he should have been LIVING IT!!!

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PRAISE GOD  
FOR HIS MERCY  
AND AMAZING GRACE



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