



JONAH | Week 2
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BIG IDEA | God's discipline is a *GRACE*, not a grudge.

Jonah 2:1-10 (NLT)

¹ Then Jonah prayed to the Lord his God from inside the fish. ² He said,
“I cried out to the Lord in my great trouble,
and he answered me.

I called to you from the land of the dead,
and Lord, you heard me!

³ You threw me into the ocean depths,
and I sank down to the heart of the sea.

The mighty waters engulfed me;
I was buried beneath your wild and stormy waves.

⁴ Then I said, ‘O Lord, you have driven me from your presence.
Yet I will look once more toward your holy Temple.’

⁵ “I sank beneath the waves,
and the waters closed over me.
Seaweed wrapped itself around my head.

⁶ I sank down to the very roots of the mountains.
I was imprisoned in the earth,
whose gates lock shut forever.

But you, O Lord my God,
snatched me from the jaws of death!

⁷ As my life was slipping away,
I remembered the Lord.

And my earnest prayer went out to you
in your holy Temple.

⁸ Those who worship false gods
turn their backs on all God's mercies.

⁹ But I will offer sacrifices to you with songs of praise,
and I will fulfill all my vows.

For my salvation comes from the Lord alone."

¹⁰ Then the Lord ordered the fish to spit Jonah out onto the beach.

Jonah 3:1-3 (NLT)

¹ Then the Lord spoke to Jonah a second time: ² "Get up and go to the great city of Nineveh, and deliver the message I have given you."

³ This time Jonah obeyed the Lord's command and went to Nineveh, a city so large that it took three days to see it all.

Rescue - God's discipline is a grace that brings us back, not a grudge to pay us back!

Reflection - A private sanctuary with the Lord.

Repentance:

- I acknowledge the connection between God's discipline and my disobedience.
- I turn my eyes back to God.
- I thank God for His grace.
- I return to God's call on my life.