JONAH



Grade 4 - 7 Brantford Little Disciples and JR CYC Gathering 2026

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BRANTFORD JUNIOR CYC & LITTLE DISCIPLES GATHERING LOCATION: ANCASTER FAIRGROUNDS JANUARY 31, 2026

Dear Parent & Student,

This year our study is on Jonah! Please note each **WORKBOOK** is assigned by grade. Enjoy the study and work on the booklet as much as possible prior to arrival! The books will be marked according to each child's ability some sections may be labelled for higher grade levels only, do what is appropriate for your child's ability. Bonus points will be awarded for finishing the Extra Credit activities for the appropriate grade level. We will also be learning a **MEMORY VERSE** for camp, as well as some SONGS. Visit out website **www.brantfordjuniorcyc.com** to find everything you need.

Registration cost:

\$30/person, \$90/family (2 guardians + children - Age 3 -12), \$20/teen helper (Age 13 +). If the cost is at all prohibitive, please pay what you are able to or consider there to be no requirement for payment. There will also be a freewill offering during the gathering to help defray the cost of the weekend.

PLEASE NOTE: ADVANCE REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED PLEASE REGISTER BY JANUARY 1, 2026!

You can find the workbooks online and place them in the **appropriate colored duotang** for each grade.

Pre-K (Age 3)-JK-SK: Red

Grades 4-7: Blue

Don't forget to bring your Bible and workbook to the gathering! Please also remember to bring snowsuits, mitts, hats, snow boots, and warm clothes to enjoy the outdoors! Weather permitting, there may be huge snow piles that allow for some degree of sledding and digging....We will have to see.

Be sure to read and follow the Basic Rules below!

Look forward to seeing you at the gathering, or sooner if our Lord Returns before then!

BASIC RULES:

- 1. LISTEN AND OBEY! Be mindful and respectful to your teachers and follow thier instructions. Pay attention to all adults supervising both indoor and outdoors activities.
- 2.BE SAFETY CONSCIOUS! Stay within the limits of our activities while in outdoor play. Volunteer safety monitors will be at each activity.
- 3. Parents are RESPONSIBLE for thier own children. If not supervising your children yourself, for their safety, please be sure they are appropriately monitored during all free time. There may be traffic on site to be mindful of.
- 4. Place coats/boots in appropriate location upon entering the main building.
- 5. Place left over food/plates/garbage in garbage bags/containers.
- 6. HAVE FUN! Have a 'fruitful' and 'fun filled' day!



We are Grateful to Efforts of those who have studied Jonah before us in the making of this workbook- Bro. H.P. Mansfield (Story of the Bible- Jonah) & His Book, "The Goodness & Severity of God". Also the workbook from 1992 - Tillsonburg spring (Great Lakes Youth Program)



Things to Know Before You Come

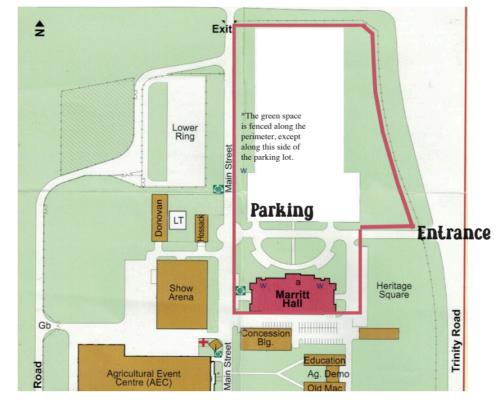


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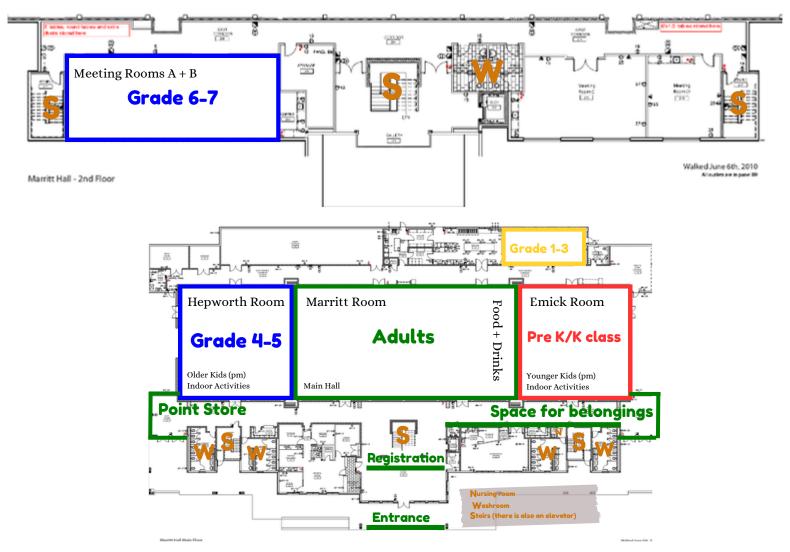
We are very privileged to have access to such an outstanding facility, and the continuation of behaviour reflecting out biblical principles can help ensure we can continue to use it in future years!

Take a few minutes to study the maps and make yourself familiar with the site map, building and activity locations for the safety and enjoyment of everyone! Please be aware that we may not be the only group using the fairgrounds, as such there may be traffic, as well as other people to be aware of.

We have rented Marritt Hall and have access to the parking lot and the space in the red box.



Things to Know Before You Come



Registration: 9:30-10:00 a.m. **Devotion:** 10:00 - 10:15 a.m. **Go to Classes:** 10:15 - 10:30 a.m.

1st Class: 10:30 - 11:45 a.m. (Pre-K will dismiss @ 11:15 to go to Point Store.)

Adults to mark books in the Marritt Room

Lunch 12:00 - 1:00 p.m. (Lunch included with registration)

Activities: 1:00 - 2:30 p.m. (Grades 1-7 go to Point Store)

2nd Class: 2:30 - 3:30 p.m.

Adult class in the Marritt Room

Presentations: 3:30 - 4:15 p.m.

Supper: 4:30 p.m. (supper included with registration)

Clean-up: 5:30 p.m.





Colour the memory verse for extra credit.

(We would like to hang on our memory verse wall!)

On the back give another example of preaching in the Bible. How can you or someone you know relate to this experience? or be encouraged by it?

"Arise, go unto Ninevah,"
that great city, and preach
unto it the preaching that
I bid thee. So Jonah arose,
and went unto Ninevah,
according to the word of
the Lord. Now Ninevah was
an exceeding great city of
three days" journey."

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Grade 4-7 JONAH - SONG

from "Joseph - I Seek My Brethren" - A Christadelphian Cantata

Mightier Far

for 2 part choir & Piano



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Bible Marking the Book of Jonah

Chapter 1

- 1 Now the word of the Lord came unto Jonah the son of Amittai, saying,
- 2 Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and cry against it; for their wickedness is come up before me.
- But Jonah rose up to flee unto Tarshish from the presence of the Lord, and went down to Joppa; and he found a ship going to Tarshish: so he paid the fare thereof, and went down into it, to go with them unto Tarshish from the presence of the Lord.
- 4 But the Lord sent out a great wind into the sea, and there was a mighty tempest in the sea, so that the ship was like to be broken.
- 5 Then the mariners were afraid, and cried every man unto his god, and cast forth the wares that were in the ship into the sea, to lighten it of them. But Jonah was gone down into the sides of the ship; and he lay, and was fast asleep.
- 6 So the shipmaster came to him, and said unto him, What meanest thou, O sleeper? arise, call upon thy God, if so be that God will think upon us, that we perish not.
- 7 And they said every one to his fellow, Come, and let us cast lots, that we may know for whose cause this evil is upon us. So they cast lots, and the lot fell upon Jonah.
- 8 Then said they unto him, Tell us, we pray thee, for whose cause this evil is upon us; What is thine occupation? and whence comest thou? what is thy country? and of what people art thou?
- And he said unto them, I am an Hebrew; and I fear the Lord, the God of heaven, which hath made the sea and the dry land.
- Then were the men exceedingly afraid, and said unto him. Why hast thou done this?

 For the men knew that he fled from the presence of the Lord, because he had told them.
- 11 Then said they unto him, What shall we do unto thee, that the sea may be calm unto us? for the sea wrought, and was tempestuous.
- 12 And he said unto them, Take me up, and cast me forth into the sea; so shall the sea be calm unto you: for I know that for my sake this great tempest is upon you.
- 13 Nevertheless the men rowed hard to bring it to the land; but they could not: for the sea wrought, and was tempestuous against them.
- Wherefore they cried unto the Lord, and said, We beseech thee, O Lord, we beseech thee, let us not perish for this man's life, and lay not upon us innocent blood: for thou, O Lord, hast done as it pleased thee.
- 15 So they took up Jonah, and cast him forth into the sea: and the sea ceased from her raging.
- 16 Then the men feared the Lord exceedingly, and offered a sacrifice unto the Lord, and made vows.
- 17 Now the Lord had prepared a great fish to swallow up Jonah.

 And Jonah was in the belly of the fish three days and three nights.

Bible Marking

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Chapter 1

God - first principle - color word/phrase purple

1:3 presence of the Lord 1:4 the Lord sent 1:9 God of heaven 1:10 presence of the Lord 1:17 Lord had prepared

Time words - Color the words light green or aquamarine
1:17 three days and three nights

Geography - Color the places and locations orange

1:3 Joppa 1:17 belly

Important words and phrases - color word or phrase yellow

1:2 Nineveh 1:5 fast asleep 1:7 cast lots; lot fell 1:9 Hebrew

1:14 the Lord, O Lord 1:15 ceased





It Pays to Increase Your **WORD POWER**

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Using a modern translation (or dictionary) find out what the following King James words mean:

Jonah Chapter One	
1:3 - fare:	
1:4 - tempest:	
1:5 - mariners:	
1:7 - cast lots:	
1:8 - occupation:	
Jonah Chapter Two	
2:2 - affliction:	
2:3 - billows:	
2:8 - vanities:	
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It Pays to Increase Your **WORD POWER - continued**



Using a modern translation find out what the following King James words mean:

Jonah Chapter Three

3:2 - preach :
3:4 - overthrown:
3:5 - fast:
3:5 - sackcloth:
3:7 - decree:
3:9 - repent:

Jonah Chapter Four

4:3 - beseeech:	
4:5 - booth:	
4:6 - gourd:	
4:7 - withered:	
4:8 - vehement:	
4:10 - pity:	
4:11 - discern:	

Where is it?

Geography in the Book of Jonah

Label the following places on the maps provided on next 2 pages.

Use the maps in the back of your Bible or this link:

https://www.knowingthebible.net/bible-maps

- 1. Label the following cities:
- a. Nineveh
- c. Joppa
- d. Jerusalem
- e. Samaria
- 2. Label the following countries:
- a. Israel
- b. Judah
- c. Egypt
- d. Assyria
- e. Babylonia
- f. Persia
- 3. Label the following rivers and bodies of water:
- a. Mediterranean Sea
- b. Dead Sea
- c. Sea of Chinneroth (Sea of Galilee)
- d. Red Sea
- e. Jordan River
- f. Tigris River
- g. Euphrates River







Timeline of Events In Jonah

Using the chart below. Find the Prophet Jonah - Use the **Key** in bottom right corner (Prophets to Nations)

a) What King of **Israel** did Jonah prophecy during?

b) What kind of King was he? (2 Kings 14: 23-24)

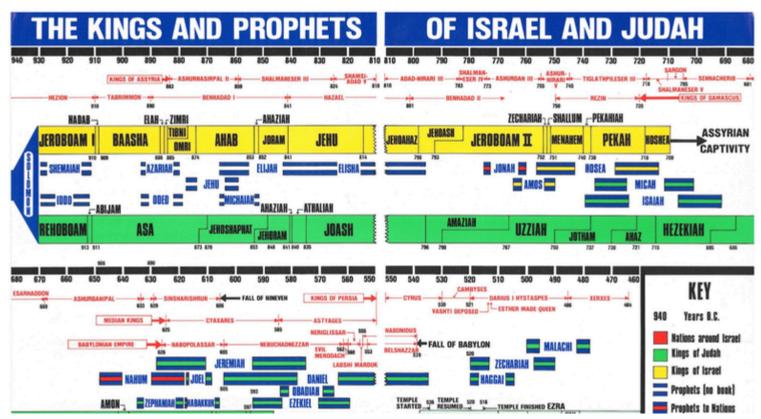
c) What King of **Judah** did Jonah prophecy during?

d) What King of Israel reigned **after** the Prophet Jonah? What kind of King was he? (2 Kings 15:8-12)

e) What other prophet prophesied at the same time as Jonah?

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f) Approx. what year was it when Jonah prophesied? Jonah is BC (Meaning - Before Christ)





JONAH - CROSSWORD

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WORM



Background:

Ruins of that Great City Nineveh



1. What was Israel and Judah like morally, militarily and economically at the time of
Jonah? (2 Kings 14:23-29))
2.What does the name "Jonah" mean? (Look up the concordance or Blue Letter Bible)
3. In what other Bible stories does the meaning of Jonah's name appear? (Hint:NT)
How is this signatificant? (Grade 6-7 question)
4.Who was Jonah the son of? (2 Kings 14:25) Where was he from?
5.What did Jonah prophesy, what was he to tell the people? (2 Kings 14:25 & Jonah 1:2)
6. Grade 6-7 - What do you know about the Assyrians? (people of Nineveh) What were the people known for? What/Who did they worship?
7.What river was the City of Niveveh located on?
8. In what country was it located then? (hint : (e) on your map work)
9.In what country is Nineveh located today? (see map below)

Check out the link for archaeology findings from the Assyrian reign.

A winged bull sculpture!

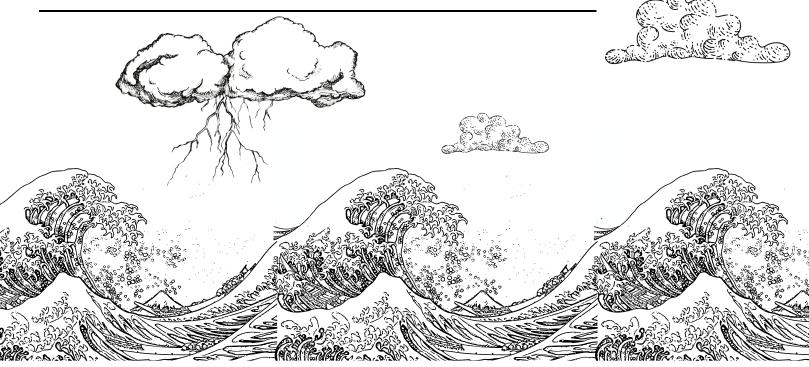
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10. (Grade 6 -7) Where else is the phrase "presence of the Lord" used? (Jonah 1:3) Hint - look in your margin / concordance or on Blue Letter Bible site for help. Give 3 examples._____ 11.Why do you think Jonah fled from the presence of the Lord? (1:3)______ 12. Was this a good thing to do?_____ 13. Would you have done this? Why or Why not?_____ 14. (Grade 6-7) What do you think the phrase "presence of the Lord" means? (1:3)___ 15. The Lord sent a great storm what do you think God was trying to do?_____ 16. Who else was found sleeping on a boat during a great storm? Can you find the verse?



17. The "mariners" or sailors were afraid for their lives . How did they find out whose fault it was that the storm came up? (1:7)

18. Has this method been used before in scripture? Give a NT Example (Grade 6-7) (and verse to proof it)

19. Was God in this method here, with Jonah being picked - what do you think?

20. What did Jonah tell the sailors? (1:9-10) Quote what he says.

21. What do you think is the significance of Jonah being a "Hebrew"? (1:9) What would this have meant to these sailors?

22. What about for you? what do you say YOU are to others? You - "I believe there is a God." - Does this mean something to those around you?...it should.

Think on this -People should notice you are different in your attitude towards others. Do YOU have a cheerful demeanour? Are you respectful in your actions?





23.Who else in scripture was known as a "Hebrew"? Give 2 examples. Which one is your favourite?
Jonah describes God in verse 9 as, "God of heaven, which hath made the sea and the dry land." He compares his God as one of great power and authority compared to their idols. They would have heard of this God of the Hebrews. Who saved His people from the Egyptians.
24. a) Has God ever used weather before to get someones attention? Give an example.
b) You may have heard the phrase, "the storms of life" what do you think it means? (Grade 6-7)
25. Why do you think that the sailors were afraid to throw Jonah into the sea? (1:13-14)
26.What happened when the sailors threw Jonah into the water? (1:15-16)
The sailors did not expect this drastic change to the weather. 27. What did the sailors then do? (1:16)
28. a) Why do you think they did this?
b) Do you think they wanted the best for Jonah? Why or why not?
29. a) What swallowed Jonah? (1:17)
b) Thought - What kind of fish do most people think swallowed Jonah?
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Jonah 1:17

"Now the Lord had prepared a great fish to swallow up Jonah. And Jonah was in the belly of the fish three days and three nights."

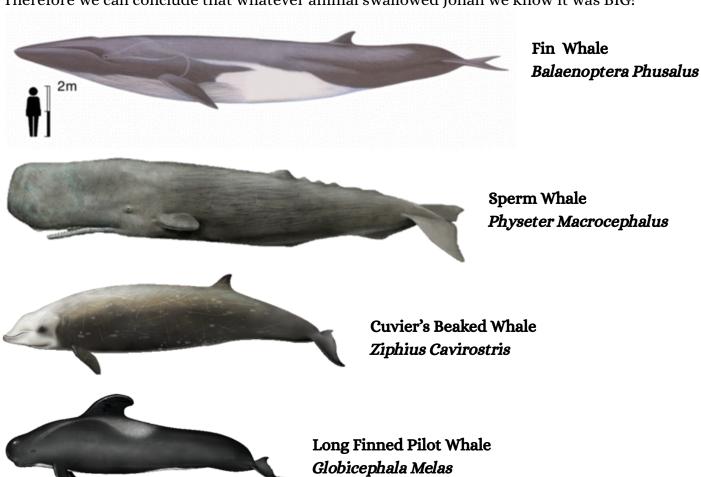
Common Cetacean Species in the Mediterranean

What is a Cetacean?

Ce-ta-cean is a latin term that scientists use to identify the types of animals below. Cetus is a latin term referring to a large sea creature, the Greek related word Ketos means whale or sea monster.

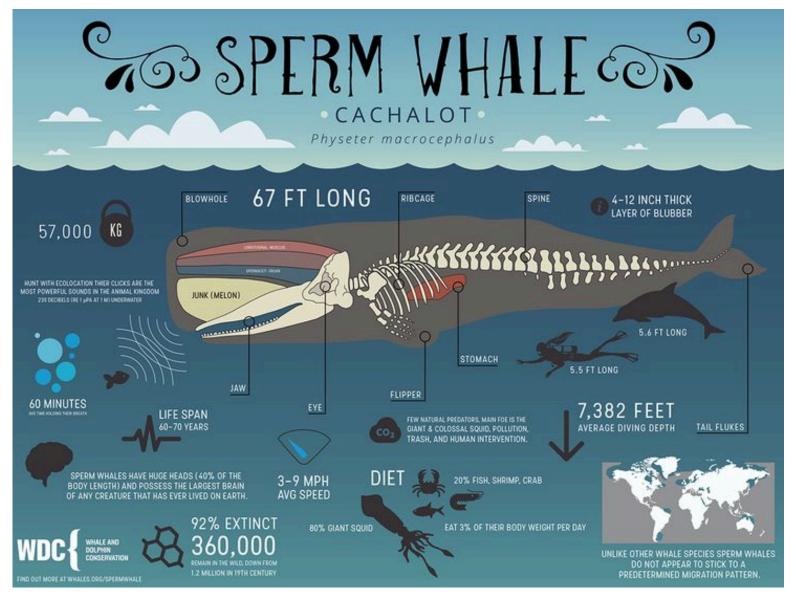
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The Hebrew word **FISH** in the King James Bible is Strong's concordance number #1709. This does not give us any clue as to what type of fish God had prepared to swallow Jonah. The only clue that we get with careful Bible reading is the word **GREAT** #1419. Therefore we can conclude that whatever animal swallowed Jonah we know it was BIG!



Risso's Dolphin Grampas Griseus





A Sperm Whale is one of the Biggest Species in the Mediterranean Sea. Notice the size of the stomach of the animal and the size of the diver. In 3 or more sentences describe what you think it would have been like inside the belly of this great fish. Use the word bank below to help you with your sentances.

Stink Small Slimy	Little Fish Tight Prayer to God	No Air Death Resurrection		



31. What is the significance (Bible echo) that Jonah was in the fish's belly for three days and three nights as verse 17 says. Hint - 2 words.

D _ _ _ and R _ _ _ _ _ _

Grade 6-7 - Can you find any verses to support this? HINT - look in your margin. Write the main part of the verse out here.





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Story of the Bible The Prophet Jonah

by Brother H.P. Mansfield

The Sign of the Prophet Jonah

CHART COMPARSION BETWEEN JONAH & CHRIST (fill in the chart below) Grade 6-7 Only

JONAH	JESUS
Jonah was prepared to become a curse on behalf of his people by refusing the commission of Yahweh to preach to the Ninevites.	Jesus Christ became a curse on the behalf of his people to save them from their sins (Gal. 3:13)
Jonah was prepared to sacrfice himself for the sailors on the ship who were thus induced to turn from their pagan worship to serve Yahweh.	So also did the Lord (Acts 2:31, Isa.49:6)
What verses in Jonah - proves Jonah was overwhelmed by the ocean?	The Lord was overwhelmed with waves of affliction and a flood of W K _ D S (Psa 69:1-4)
What does Jonah 2:2 say?	Read Matthew 12:40. What comparison is made?
Jonah besought Yahweh to save him out of depth (Jonah 2:7)	What does Heb. 5:7 say?
Jonah died a symbolic and did not see corruption (Jonah 2:6)	What happened to the Lord? A literal, but he did not see corruption. (Acts 2:31)
Jonah experienced a symbolic r s r c t on when the fish spured him out.	The Lord experienced a l _ t a l resurrection.
At the second time Yahwe spoke to him Jonah went and preached repentance to the Ninevities (Jonah 3:1)	At the second coming of Christ his teaching will be proclaimed to the ungodly.
The Ninevites R when Jonah preached to them and turned to God.	What will the world do at the proclamation of the gospel at the second coming of Christ? (Isa 2:2-4)?

Bible Marking the book of Jonah

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Chapter 2

- 1 Then Jonah prayed unto the Lord his God out of the fish's belly,
- 2 And said, I cried by reason of mine affliction unto the Lord, and he heard me; out of the belly of hell cried I, and thou heardest my voice.
- 3 For thou hadst cast me into the deep, in the midst of the seas; and the floods compassed me about: all thy billows and thy waves passed over me.
- 4 Then I said, I am cast out of thy sight; yet I will look again toward thy holy temple.
- 5 The waters compassed me about, even to the soul: the depth closed me round about, the weeds were wrapped about my head.
- I went down to the bottoms of the mountains; the earth with her bars was about me for ever: yet hast thou brought up my life from corruption, O Lord my God.
- 7 When my soul fainted within me I remembered the Lord: and my prayer came in unto thee, into thine holy temple.
- 8 They that observe lying vanities forsake their own mercy.
- 9 But I will sacrifice unto thee with the voice of thanksgiving; I will pay that I have vowed. Salvation is of the Lord.
- 10 And the Lord spake unto the fish, and it vomited out Jonah upon the dry land.

Chapter 2

God – first principle – color word/phrase purple

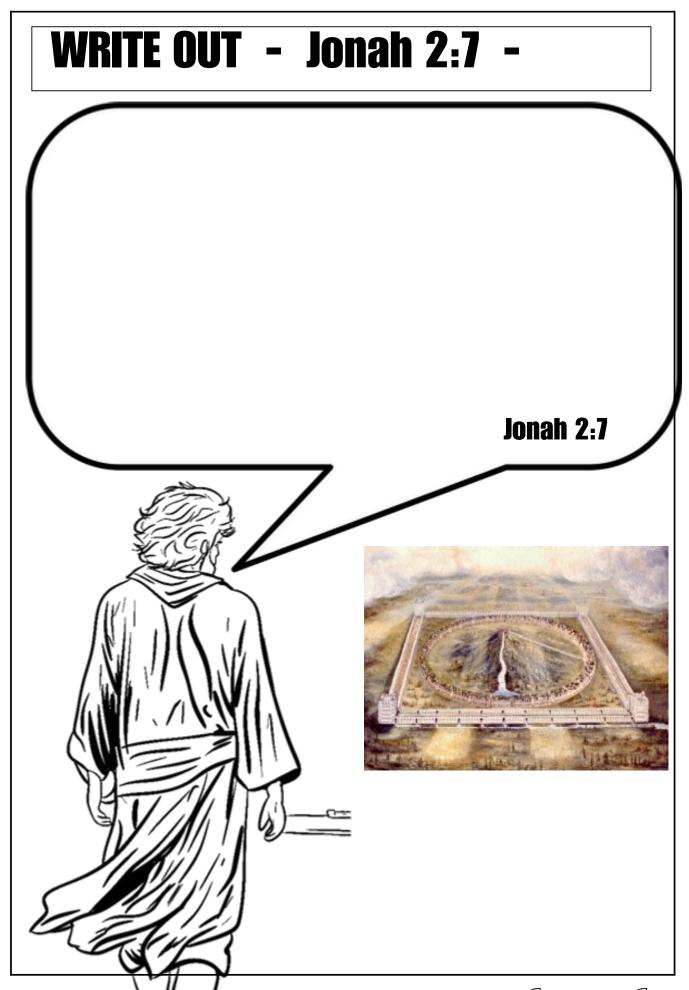
2:10 The Lord spake unto the fish

Important words and phrases - color word or phrase yellow

2:1 prayed, his
2:2 belly of hell
2:7 prayer
2:9 vowed, salvation

Jonah Chapter 2 - Preservation (The Fish)

1.Where was Jonah and what was he doing? (2:1)
2. a) What did Jonah cry, where he was? (2:2)
b) What is the First Principle significance of this?
3. Thought Question - Grade 6-7 a) Do you think Jonah died when he was thrown into the sea?
4.Thought Question - Grade 6-7 - What do you think Jonah was thinking as he sank into the water? (2:7-9)
Jonah was very concerned about his people he thought that if he ran the other way God would have NO choice but to destroy Niveneh. This would save Israel from the destruction of the Assyrians. What Jonah didn't know is that God's plan was not his plan and he wanted to save the people of Nineveh. The prayer Jonah pleads here to God in chapter 2 is one of understanding and humility to His maker.
5. a) Do these words of prayer remind you of anyone else's prayer to God?
b) Think of your favourite Psalm. Look in the margin do you see any cross references to the Psalms? Put one here: c) Quote a short line from one of them you found
6. Explain verse 8 (Hint : use a modern translation)



Jonah Chapter 2 - Preservation (The Fish)

7. How did Jonah get out of the fish's belly? (2:10)
8. Why did the fish do this?
9. What do you think this means? Did God hear Jonah's prayer? Did God still have a job for Jonah to do?
10. Thought question: Scripture says nothing about the effects of being in a fish's stomach.
What do you think Jonah may have looked like after 3 days & nights in a fish? Give some details that come to your mind. (Grade 6 -7)
Do you think the needs of Nineyah would have taken notice and listened to him



Stomach acid does not bleach skin or hair in the way a chemical bleaching agent (like hydrogen peroxide or chlorine bleach) does. Instead, prolonged exposure to stomach acid (which is primarily hydrochloric acid) can cause severe chemical burns and tissue damage to the skin, which may result in white or black scar tissue, or a change in hair color to black.







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Bible Marking the Book of Jonah

Chapter 3

- 1 And the word of the Lord came unto Jonah the second time, saying,
- 2 Arise, go unto Nineveh, that great city, and preach unto it the preaching that I bid thee.
- 3 So Jonah arose, and went unto Nineveh, according to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was an exceeding great city of three days' journey.
- 4 And Jonah began to enter into the city a day's journey, and he cried, and said, Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown.
- 5 So the people of Nineveh believed God, and proclaimed a fast, and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them even to the least of them.
- 6 For word came unto the king of Nineveh, and he arose from his throne, and he laid his robe from him, and covered him with sackcloth, and sat in ashes.
- 7 And he caused it to be proclaimed and published through Nineveh by the decree of the king and his nobles, saying, Let neither man nor beast, herd nor flock, taste any thing: let them not feed, nor drink water:
- 8 But let man and beast be covered with sackcloth, and cry mightily unto God: yea, let them turn every one from his evil way, and from the violence that is in their hands.
- 9 Who can tell if God will turn and repent, and turn away from his fierce anger, that we perish not?
- 10 And God saw their works, that they turned from their evil way; and God repented of the evil, that he had said that he would do unto them; and he did it not.

Bible Marking

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Chapter 3

Time words - Color the words light green or aquamarine

3:4 a day's journey

Important words and phrases – color word or phrase yellow

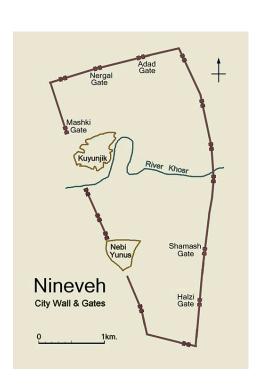
- 3:1 second time
- 3:2 preached,
- 3:3 arose and went
- 3:5 believed, fast
- 3:9 repent
- 3:10 repented, did it not



RESEARCH

NINEVEH

1. Who built the city of Nineveh, and where did he originally come out from? Gen 10:8-11





Find and Circle the following places on the map **Babel (Babylon), Nineveh, Calah, Asshur**

2. Knowing where the people of Nineveh originally came from, what does the Bible tell us about the people? (Circle the correct answer from Jonah 1:2)

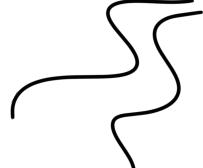
Good Wicked Happy Bad

- 3. What King lived in Nineveh? (Isa 37:36-37)
- 4. Who is writing a prophecy against Nineveh? (Nahum 1:1)
- 5. What will God make Nineveh? (Zeph 2:13)
- 6. Where in the New Testament is Nineveh mentioned?





Jonah Chapter 3 -**Proclamation (The City)**



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.Chapter 3:1 says that the Lord spake, "unto Jonah a second time" compare chapter 1:				
what is the significance? What are we to notice?				
2. a)How large was the city of Nineveh? (3:3)				
b)The Bible describes the City as acity and you can see that from	m			
the map on the previous page! c) How many people lived in Nineveh? (4:11)				
We have the ruins of Nineveh to proof that this City did exist this is another proof the	nat			
the Bible is true!! Mr. Joel Kramer is a Bibical Archaeologist who has been to the ruin and has lived in the Middle East.				
Type the link into Google to watch his youtube video about the History of The Ancient City of Nineveh. Video is approx. 25 minutes.				
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3. a) Jonah 3:3 says Jonah "went" what does this signify? Was he forced to go?				
b) How does this apply to us? (Grade 6 -7)				
4. Jonah cried to the people, "Yet 40 days and Nineveh shall be overthrown!"				
We hear a Bible ECHO here! Where else does the Bible speak of 40 days? Give 2 examples.				
5.What three things did the people of Nineveh do? (3:5)				

Jonah Chapter 3 - Proclamation (The City)



6.What did the King do? (3:6)
7.What was the King s decree ?(3:7-8)
8.What was the King of Nineveh hoping God would do? (3:9)
9.What three things did God see the people of Nineveh do? (3:10)

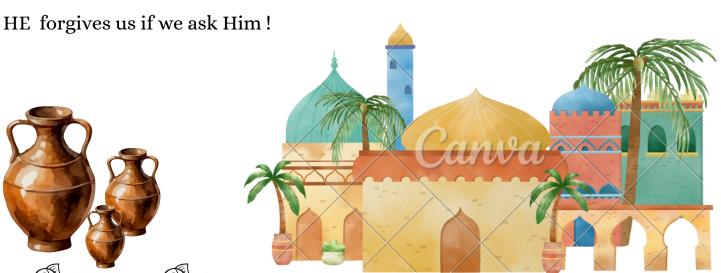
This gives us great comfort. You may have heard the phrase, "Comforts of the Truth" God can & does FORGIVE. This is what the book of Jonah is all about! He forgives all those who repent and change their ways no matter how far down another road they may go!! BUT its hard work to change bad behaviour! The Truth of God's word brings us COMFORT and peace in our minds.

10. What does this tell us about God? (3:10)

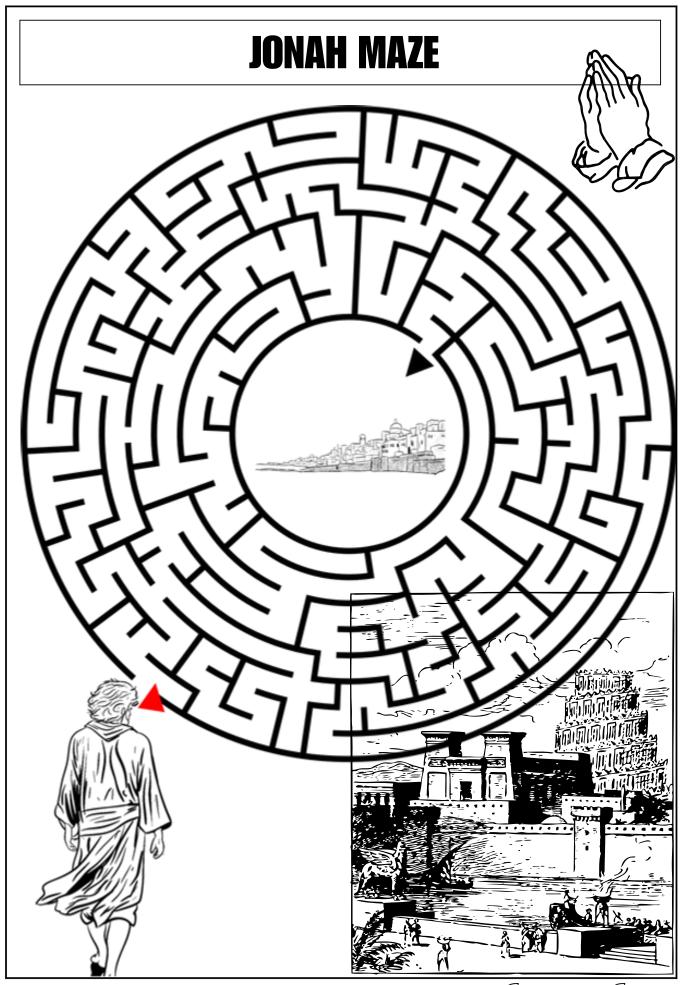
Psalms 103:8 says, "The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy."







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Bible Marking the Book of Jonah

Chapter 4 -

- 1 But it displeased Jonah exceedingly, and he was very angry.
- 2 And he prayed unto the Lord, and said, I pray thee, O Lord, was not this my saying, when I was yet in my country? Therefore I fled before unto Tarshish: for I knew that thou art a gracious God, and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repentest thee of the evil.
- 3 Therefore now, O Lord, take, I beseech thee, my life from me; for it is better for me to die than to live.
- 4 Then said the Lord, Doest thou well to be angry?
- 5 So Jonah went out of the city, and sat on the east side of the city, and there made him a booth, and sat under it in the shadow, till he might see what would become of the city.
- 6 And the Lord God prepared a gourd, and made it to come up over Jonah, that it might be a shadow over his head, to deliver him from his grief. So Jonah was exceeding glad of the gourd.
- 7 But God prepared a worm when the morning rose the next day, and it smote the gourd that it withered.
- And it came to pass, when the sun did arise, that God prepared a vehement east wind; and the sun beat upon the head of Jonah, that he fainted, and wished in himself to die, and said, It is better for me to die than to live.
- 9 And God said to Jonah, Doest thou well to be angry for the gourd? And he said, I do well to be angry, even unto death.
- 10 Then said the Lord, Thou hast had pity on the gourd, for the which thou hast not laboured, neither madest it grow; which came up in a night, and perished in a night:
- 11 And should not I spare Nineveh, that great city, wherein are more than sixscore thousand persons that cannot discern between their right hand and their left hand; and also much cattle?

Bible Marking

Bible marking can either be done on this page or in your own Bible

Chapter 4

God - first principle - word/phrase purple

4:6 the Lord God prepared

4:7 God prepared a worm

4:8 God prepared a vehement

Geography – Color the places and

locations orange
4:5 out of the city

Important words and phrases -

color word or phrase yellow

4:1 displeased, angry

4:2 prayed

4:5 might see

4:6 glad

4:9 angry





1. What do you think displeased Jonah and made him so angry? (4:1)	
2. Why do you think this displeased Jonah soooo much? (answer question #1)	
3.Why had Jonah originally gone to Tarshish? (Jonah 1:	3)
4.Why do you think that Jonah wanted to die? (4:3)	
5. In 4:5 Jonah leaves the City of Nineveh and sat on thand made a booth. Is there a significance with the Eas	· ·

The Story of the Bible on Jonah by Bro. H.P Manfield, says that Jonah entered into the City on the West side of the City. He exited on the East city meaning that he fully travelled through the City. He completed his intruction from Yahweh thus completing his vow.

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6.a)What did God say in verse 4?
b)What do you think God was trying to tell Jonah?
God Prepared a gourd (a large plant) for Jonah in vs 6.
7.THOUGHT Question - Grade 6-7 - Why do you think Jonah was glad?
8. a)What happened early that morning? (4:7)
b) What arose in the morning on the next day ? (4:8)
9.What did God ask Jonah? (4:9)
10.Thought Question - Grade 6-7 - Why do you think God asked Jonah this question?

b) What was God trying to tell Jonah?
Jonah 4:8 - This is the second time in this chapter that Jonah thought it would be
better for him to die. Then again in Vs. 9!
11.Look up the Strong's word for "pity" in vs 10 and "spare" in vs 11.
HINT -(Look up the concordance or Blue Letter Bible)
12. What did the gourd do for Jonah?(vs6)
13.How did Jonah feel about the gourd? (vs6)
14. What could have Jonah done for the gourd? (vs 10)
15. Thought Ouestion (Grade 6-7) - What lesson did God draw from the gourd and

M.P. Mansfield wrote this In the Story of the Bible, The Meaning of the Parable

"The gourd grew up overnight; it afforded pleasant shade to Jonah; but to his disappointment it had been destroyed overnight. This taught the prophet an important truth. As God had caused the gourd to suddenly spring up and provide pleasant shade for the prophet, so under Jeroboam 2, He had advanced the cause of Israel. This had been the cause of pleasure to the prophet. But as the gourd was destroyed overnight by a worm which gnawed its roots, so Israel would be overthrown by means that God provided if it did not change its ways. Even if Nineveh had been destroyed, God would have provided other means to that end.

Jonah had said he would have spared the gourd because it afforded him pleasure. In like manner, God was prepared to spare Nineveh. There were important reasons why God should do so. Firstly, there were some in Nineveh who would be saved through the preaching of Jonah; secondly, it was necessary that Nineveh should be preserved in order that it should be the means whereby Israel would be punished for its wickedness as God intended." (2 Kings 18:9)





Jonah's reaction? (4:10-11)

GOD'S BOUNDLESS COMPASSION

In Jonah 4, we see Jonah grappling with a hard truth: God's mercy doesn't align with our human expectations. Jonah struggled with the idea that Nineveh, known for its immoral history, deserved any kind of mercy. Through this, we learn an important lesson about



the nature of God's compassion. It's not limited by our standards or judgments. Jonah himself has experienced this immense mercy. When he ran away from God's call, he ended up in the belly of a giant fish. It was there, in his moment of repentance, that he experienced God's forgiveness first hand. God didn't just save Jonah from the fish; He gave him a second chance to fulfil his mission. **This act of mercy showed God's love and forgiveness are always available, even when we feel we've gone too far.**

HP Mansfield writes again,

"JONAH" - The book of the Dove

When Jesus spake of the "sign of Jonah", he spake of the "sign of the Dove"

It is of the greatest significance that at the Lord Jesus in the Jordan, when he came up out of the water, the heavens were open unto him and he saw "the spirit of God decending like a dove, and lighting upon him" (Matt 3:16)

Thus at the very inception of his ministry to the people God revealed that the sign of Jonah the prophet was about to be manifested in the midst of Jewry. In dramatic parable, God set before Israel His purpose through the prophet Jonah.

Many in Israel must have pondered the strange adventures of this man who had been through such a strange and remarkable adventure. Little did they realise that he was dramatizing the mission of their Messiah and their nation.

How wonderful is the Word of God when we seek out its meaning." Story of the Bible - Jonah



FIND 10 DIFFERENCES





TRUE OR FALSE

	TRUE	FALSE
Jonah initially fled towards Tarshish to avoid going to Nineveh (Jonah 1:3).		
Jonah was swallowed by a whale (Jonah 1:17).		
The people of Nineveh repented in sackcloth and ashes after hearing Jonah's message (Jonah 3:5-6).		
Jonah was happy and rejoiced when Nineveh repented (Jonah 4:1).		
After Nineveh repented, Jonah went outside the city and built a shelter (Jonah 4:5).		
God sent a vine to provide shade for Jonah in his shelter (Jonah 4:6).		
Jonah was angry when the vine died (Jonah 4:6-9).		
God sent a worm to destroy the vine (Jonah 4:7).		
The book of Jonah ends with Jonah still being angry at God (Jonah 4:9-11).		



What can we learn from the life of Jonah?

The book of Jonah provides many powerful life lessons that we can learn from today. He delivers us real life examples of struggles that we all face at some point in our life.

No matter where you go in life YOU CAN'T RUN FROM GOD.

We read

"The eyes of the Lord are in every place, beholding the evil and the good."

Proverbs 15:3

God is everywhere watching and waiting for our lives to unfold.

We also learn that **OBEDIENCE IS BETTER THAN SACRIFICE**.

Jonah should have trusted God and listened the first time. Jonah's disobedience led to a storm that endangered the lives of others. Our choices affect more than just ourselves. If we listen to God first and foremost in our life we can avoid unpleasant consequences. Samuel says to Saul:

"Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to hearken than the fat of rams."

1 Samuel 15:22

"As for God, his way is perfect: the word of the Lord is tried: he is a buckler to all those that trust in him." Psalm 18:30

When we fall short of our high calling we are also reminded that God gives us second chances IF we turn to him for help. **FAILURE DOESN'T DISQUALIFY YOU.** It's a reminder that we can't do things on our own, God wants us to trust in him completely

"But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us." 2 Corinthians 4:7

God's perspective of the world that we live in and the events that occur is so much bigger than our limited view. Our human minds focus on the small personal discomforts instead of seeing the bigger picture of grace, love and redemption.

Jonah's life is a mirror to our own, with the transformation of his character. Jonah recognized that true repentance comes from the heart, and than no one, not even the Ninevites are beyond God's redemptive purposes.

And last we consider Jonah's struggle with pride and judgement that he brought to the story. Jonah, like ourselves struggle with pride and wanted the destruction of Nineveh rather than their salvation. Our High calling is to serve. **GOD'S WILL ISN'T ALWAYS ALIGNED WITH OUR EMOTIONS AND PREFERENCES**. For God says

"For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways" Isaiah 55:8

In Conclusion, Jonah's life is about grace, responsibility and the vast wideness of God's mercy, plan and purpose with this earth.









