



JONAH



JOPPA
Dock

"HE WHO KNOWS WHAT TO DO,
AND FAILS TO DO IT, TO HIM IT IS SIN"

RUNNING
from God?





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"HE WHO KNOWS WHAT TO DO,
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Will you do the
HARD
RIGHT THING?

NINEVAH





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"HE WHO KNOWS WHAT TO DO,
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Will you do the
EASY
WRONG THING?

TARSHISH



JOPPA

Dock

"HE WHO KNOWS WHAT TO DO,
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RUNNING?

EXPECT TO BE DISTRESSED

EXPECT TO SEE FALLOUT

EXPECT TO FEEL ISOLATION

EXPECT TO CAUSE CONFUSION



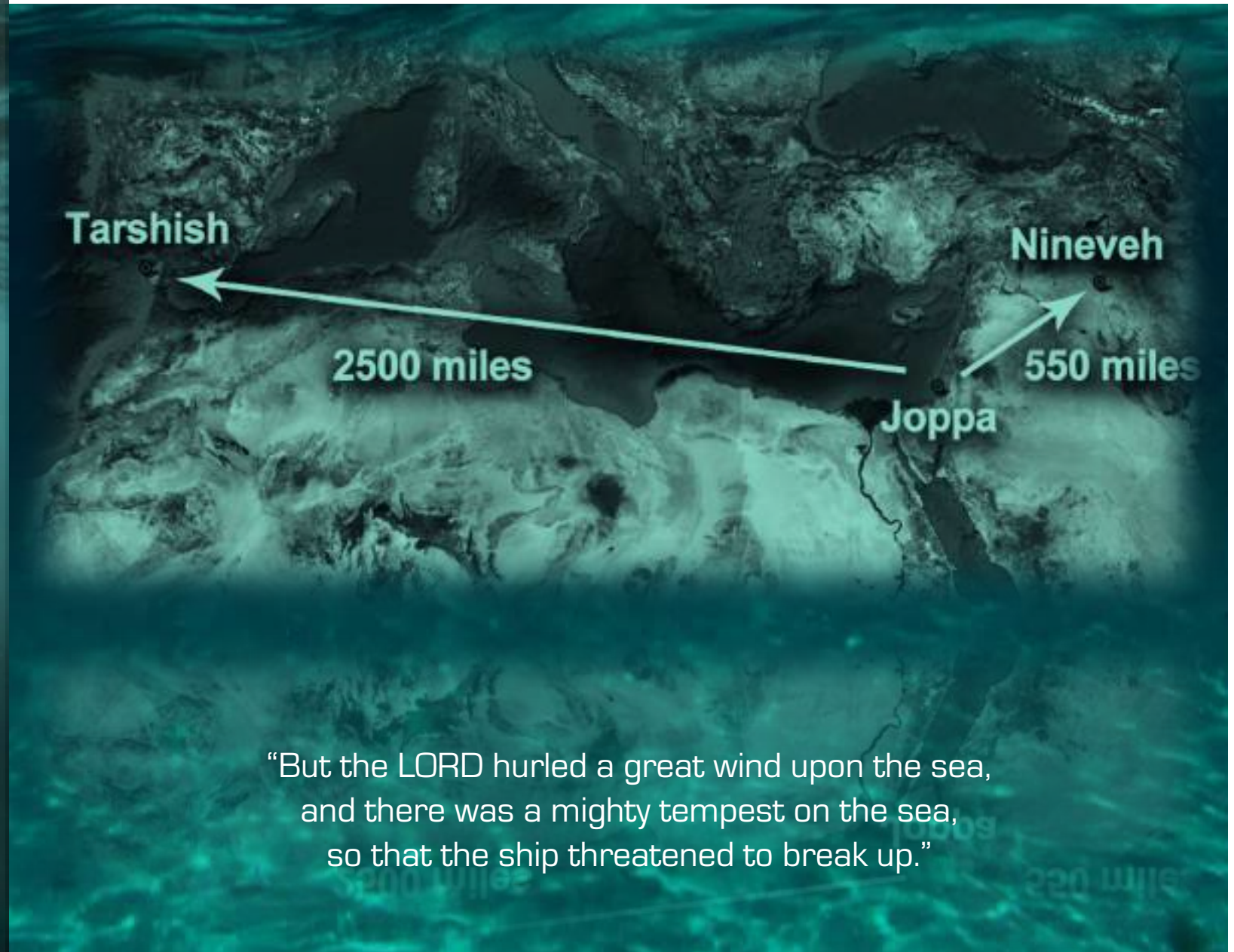
JONAH
Boat

"HE WHO KNOWS WHAT TO DO,
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REBELLING
Against God



HOW FAR?



“But the LORD hurled a great wind upon the sea,
and there was a mighty tempest on the sea,
so that the ship threatened to break up.”



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HOW FAR

And they said to one another,
“Come, let us cast lots, that we may
know on whose account this evil has
come upon us.”



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HOW FAR

So, they cast lots,
and the lot fell on Jonah.



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Boat

"So, they cast lots,
and the lot fell on Jonah."

1. EXPECT TO BE EXPOSED

"But there is nothing covered up that will not be revealed, and hidden that will not be made known."

LUKE 12:2



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HOW FAR

Then they said to him,
“Tell us on whose account this
evil has come upon us.”



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HOW FAR

What is your occupation?
And where do you come from?
What is your country?
And of what people are you?



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HOW FAR

And he said to them,
“I am a Hebrew, and I fear the
LORD, the God of heaven, who
made the sea and the dry land.”



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HOW FAR

Then the men were exceedingly afraid and said to him, “What is this that you have done!”



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HOW FAR

For the men knew that he was fleeing
from the presence of the LORD,



JONAH

HOW FAR

For the men knew that he was fleeing
from the presence of the LORD,
because he had told them.



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"What is this that you have done?"

2. EXPECT TO BE HUMILIATED

"Accordingly, whatever you have said in the dark will be heard in the light, and what you have whispered in the inner rooms will be proclaimed upon the housetops."

LUKE 12:3



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HOW FAR

Then they said to him, “What shall we do to you, that the sea may quiet down for us?” For the sea grew more and more tempestuous.



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HOW FAR

He said to them, “Pick me up and hurl me into the sea; then the sea will quiet down for you, for I know it is because of me that this great tempest has come upon you.”



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HOW FAR

Nevertheless, the men rowed hard to get back to dry land, but they could not, for the sea grew more and more tempestuous against them.



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"What is this that you have done?"

3. EXPECT TO BE BURDENSOME

"Disaster pursues sinners, but the righteous are rewarded with good."

PROVERBS 13:21



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HOW FAR

Therefore, they called out to the LORD, "O LORD, let us not perish for this man's life, and lay not on us innocent blood, for you, O LORD, have done as it pleased you."



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HOW FAR

So they picked up Jonah
and hurled him into the sea,
and the sea ceased from its raging.



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"What is this that you have done?"

4. EXPECT TO BE SINKING

"There is a way that appears to be right, but in the end it leads to death."

PROVERBS 14:12



JONAH

"sinking"



Jonah went **down** to Joppa...

Jonah went **down** into the boat...

Jonah went **down** into the inner part...

Jonah went **down** into the water...



JONAH

"sinking"



DETACHING FROM RELATIONSHIPS
OFFERING LESS AND LESS INPUT
NEGLECTING RESPONSIBILITIES
DECREASED QUALITY OF WORK
DEFENSIVE AND BLAME SHIFTING
UNABLE TO EXPLAIN EMOTIONS
HARBORING RESENTMENT
APATHETIC TOWARD CONSEQUENCES



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REBELLING?

EXPECT TO BE EXPOSED

EXPECT TO BE HUMILIATED

EXPECT TO BE BURDENSOME

EXPECT TO BE SINKING



JONAH

Is God using storms because he

HATES YOU?

Is God using storms because he

LOVES YOU?



JONAH

WILL ALWAYS...

COST YOU MORE THAN
YOU WANT TO PAY

WILL ALWAYS...

KEEP YOU LONGER THAN
YOU WANT TO STAY

WILL ALWAYS...

TAKE YOU FARTHER THAN
YOU WANT TO GO



DISCIPLINE

of God

“The fear of the LORD is
the beginning of wisdom,
and the knowledge of the
Holy One is insight.”

PROVERBS 9:10



"You are the Father, we are
the clay; and all of us are
the work of your hand."

ISAIAH 64:8



THE POTTER

CHOOSES *the Clay*

WEDGES *the Clay*

SHAPES *the Clay*

HEATS *the Clay*



THE POTTER

CHOOSES *the Clay*

Earthenware (easiest to mold)

Stoneware (durable with high heat tolerance)

Porcelain (smooth but difficult to mold)



THE POTTER

CHOOSES *the Clay*

“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



THE POTTER

CHOOSES *the Clay*

“Shall the potter be regarded as the clay, that the thing made should say of its maker, “He did not make me”; or the thing formed say of him who formed it, “He has no understanding?”

ISAIAH 29:16



THE POTTER

CHOOSES *the Clay*

WEDGES *the Clay*

SHAPES *the Clay*

HEATS *the Clay*



THE POTTER

WEDGES *the Clay*

Is this storm a
TRIAL?

OR

Is this storm a
CONSEQUENCE?



THE POTTER

WEDGES *the Clay*

Is this storm a
TRIAL?

"Count it all joy, my brothers, when you meet trials of various kinds, for you know that the testing of your faith produces steadfastness. And let steadfastness have its full effect, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing."

JAMES 1:2-3

TRIALS COME TO MATURE US, NOT CRUSH US



THE POTTER

WEDGES *the Clay*

Is this storm a
CONSEQUENCE?

"My child, do not reject the LORD's discipline, and don't be upset when he corrects you. For the LORD corrects those He loves, just as a father corrects a child in whom He delights."

PROVERBS 3:11-12

CONSEQUENCES COME TO CORRECT US, NOT PUNISH US



THE POTTER

CHOOSES *the Clay*

WEDGES *the Clay*

SHAPES *the Clay*

HEATS *the Clay*



THE POTTER

SHAPES *the Clay*

RE:MOVING OUR PRIDE

Bringing us back to dependence on our knees

RE:VEALING OUR HEART

Exposing any rebellion, impurity, or hypocrisy

RE:ORGANIZING OUR PRIORITIES

Forcing a fresh perspective and appreciation

RE:ESTABLISHING OUR FAITH

Preparing our faith in Him for our calling or for future use



THE POTTER

CHOOSES *the Clay*

WEDGES *the Clay*

SHAPES *the Clay*

HEATS *the Clay*



THE POTTER

HEATS *the Clay*

Would you rather receive

GRACE?

Or receive

OPPOSITION?

God is opposed to the proud,
But gives grace to the humble.

JAMES 4:6



THE POTTER

HEATS *the Clay*

Would you rather rapidly

TURN AROUND?

Or be stubborn and slowly

BROKEN DOWN?

Whoever conceals his transgressions will not prosper,
but he who confesses and forsakes them will obtain mercy.

PROVERBS 28:13



THE POTTER

HEATS the Clay

Would you rather be

HUMBLE?

Or be

HUMILIATED?

*"Pride ends in humiliation,
while humility brings honor."*

PROVERBS 29:23



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SINKING