

THE MESSAGES FROM JONAH (page 1)

Verifying the Last 10,000 Days (Message #1, During the Great Tribulation)

BIBLE PASSAGE <small>Jonah Chapter 1</small>	SPIRITUAL MEANING
“Now the word of the Lord came unto Jonah the son of Amittai, saying,”	Jonah was a person who was “called” by hearing God’s word.
“Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and cry against it; for their wickedness is come up before me.”	He was to <u>warn</u> (<i>cry</i>) the world that God was angered with their sin.
“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.”	Jonah wanted to alert the world, so he joined <u>a church</u> (<i>ship going to Tarshish</i>) during the church age. He didn’t realize that truth was <u>being ignored</u> (<i>flee from the presence of the Lord</i>) in the church.
“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.”	The great tribulation began, and so salvation was no longer possible from within the churches.
“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.”	The church members continued to pedal their <u>false gospels</u> (<i>the wares</i>), in essence worshipping false gods, but Jonah was <u>unsaved</u> (<i>fast asleep</i>), and didn’t recognize the problem.
“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.”	The pastor even asked Jonah to check the Bible and find out about the condition of their redemption.
“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.”	Jonah was elected by God to be <u>born again</u> (<i>cast lots</i>) and would seek after truth.
“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?”	He started questioning their do-it-yourself salvation plan and other doctrines, and so they questioned his motives.
“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.”	He stressed that he was only interested in truth and being obedient to the God of the Bible.
“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.”	They asked him why he was disturbing their teachings, as he originally came to them looking for truth.
“Then they said unto him, What shall we do unto thee, that the sea may be calm unto us? for the sea wrought, and was tempestuous.”	The church members asked Jonah how they could rectify the situation, to put tranquility back in their congregation.
“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.”	Jonah said that he should leave their church so that they could continue in their ways, and he could seek out the Lord.
“Nevertheless the men rowed hard to bring it to the land; but they could not: for the sea wrought, and was tempestuous against them.”	The church and it’s members continued to look for <u>salvation</u> (<i>land</i>), but the Holy Spirit was not working there any longer.
“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.”	The church was trapped. If they kept their doctrines, there would be no salvation for the members. But if they did accept truth, they would have to close their institution as the Bible commanded.
“So they took up Jonah, and cast him forth into the sea: and the sea ceased from her raging.”	The church decided to excommunicate Jonah, and just carry on.
“Then the men feared the Lord exceedingly, and offered a sacrifice unto the Lord, and made vows.”	The church members realized what Jonah stood for, but didn’t follow.
“Now the Lord had prepared a great fish to swallow up Jonah. And Jonah was in the belly of the fish 3 days and 3 nights.”	Outside of the church, Jonah found his <u>savior</u> (<i>3 days and 3 nights</i>), and his soul was changed.

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BIBLE PASSAGE <small>Jonah Chapter 3</small>	SPIRITUAL MEANING
“And the word of the Lord came unto Jonah the 2nd time, saying,”	As a saved person, God spoke to Jonah after the great tribulation.
“Arise, go unto Nineveh, that great city, and preach unto it the preaching that I bid thee.”	He was to <u>deliver another message</u> (<i>preach</i>) about new Bible truth.
“So Jonah arose, and went unto Nineveh, according to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was an exceeding great city of 3 days’ journey.”	Nineveh was now focused on the <u>body of true believers</u> (<i>exceeding great city</i>) still living in the world. It took 3 days to enter the city.
“And Jonah began to enter into the city a day’s journey, and he cried, and said, Yet 40 days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown.”	The very last 3 days are “the last day”, as he traveled 3 days in 1 day. If not for salvation, Nineveh would perish in 1600 (40x40) days.
“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.”	God’s people are reading the Bible, <u>spreading the word of God</u> (<i>fast</i>), and <u>humbling themselves before God</u> (<i>sackcloth and ashes</i>).
“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.”	The elect are all equal in God’s view, and man’s pride has no place in the day of judgment.
“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.”	<u>True believers</u> (<i>the king and his nobles</i>) are mandated by God to continue to <u>share the gospel</u> (<i>proclaimed and published</i>) to <u>everyone</u> (<i>man nor beast</i>) in the world, not just to those they think are saved.
“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.”	Everyone should beg and plead for mercy and read and follow the Bible, with the hope that maybe they too have been saved.
“Who can tell if God will turn and repent, and turn away from his fierce anger, that we perish not?”	There is no way to know who is saved. Only God knows for sure.
“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.”	Those saved have a new soul and will not be destroyed. They are sorry for their sins, and good works are a result of being obedient.
“But he answered and said unto them, An evil and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given to it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas:”	End time information can only be found in the Bible. Those looking elsewhere are following another God, and will remain in darkness.
“For as Jonas was 3 days and 3 nights in the whale’s belly; so shall the Son of man be 3 days and nights in the heart of the earth.”	Jonas is a portrayal of a child of God, who are all His messengers. They received the ultimate payment for sin by the Lord Jesus Christ.
“The men of Nineveh shall rise in judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: because they repented at the preaching of Jonas; and, behold, a greater than Jonas is here.”	God’s elect will ascend to be with Christ, as a final condemnation for those left behind. They heard Jonas, but the Lord was speaking.

Matthew 12:39-41

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BIBLE PASSAGE <small>Jonah Chapter 4</small>	SPIRITUAL MEANING
“But it displeased Jonah exceedingly, and he was very angry.”	Jonah thought that he would be in heaven after the great tribulation.
“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.”	Like everyone else who didn't understand that the day of judgment was a longer period of time, he was disappointed, confused and humiliated. He was searching for answers with his prayers.
“Therefore now, O Lord, take, I beseech thee, my life from me; for it is better for me to die than to live.”	He knew that life on earth had to end to be able to enjoy the next world. True believers in a sense seek the death of Christ.
“Then said the Lord, Doest thou well to be angry?”	God told him that there was no benefit in being angry.
“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.”	As one of the elect, Jonah was protected by the <u>law of God, or Bible (booth)</u> . He was reading the Bible to search for end time information.
“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.”	The Lord place a trap in the Bible, and Jonah thought he found truth. It was that the death and resurrection in 33AD was a demonstration.
“But God prepared a worm when the morning rose the next day, and it smote the gourd that it withered.”	The concept did not provide harmony in the Bible, and so Jonah realized his mistake, and as God's child, was <u>ashamed of his sin (worm)</u> .
“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.”	The <u>false idea (gourd)</u> of Christ's payment for sin before the foundation of the world did not offer protection from the <u>wrath of God (vehement east wind)</u> , and Jonah was very remorseful.
“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.”	Jonah was angry at himself for making such an error, evidence that he is a child of God.
“Then said the Lord, Thou 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:”	God is directing us to study the Bible more and more carefully, as these traps are teaching and guiding us to become closer to Him.
“And should not I spare Nineveh, that great city, wherein are more than 120,000 persons that cannot discern between their right hand and their left hand; and also much cattle?”	God said he couldn't destroy the first Nineveh (with unsaved), until the <u>fullness (12)</u> of the last 10,000 days 120,000 (12x10,000) people.
“And one went out into the field to gather herbs, and found a wild vine, and gathered thereof wild gourds his lap full, and came and shred them into the pot of pottage: for they knew them not.”	A gourd is a <u>false teaching (wild vine)</u> mixed in with the <u>word of God (pottage)</u> . At first it is not recognized as untruthful.
“So they poured out for the men to eat. And it came to pass, as they were eating of the pottage that they cried out, and said, O thou man of God, there is death in the pot. And they could not eat thereof.”	Later on, others realize that there is a problem with the doctrine, which could lead to a wrong conclusion, and it is rejected. Failure to change this way of thinking could lead to a <u>lack of salvation (death)</u> .
“But he said, Then bring meal. And he cast it into the pot; and he said, Pour out for the people, that they may eat. And there was no harm in the pot.”	The teacher then corrected his conclusion with a <u>proven principle (meal)</u> , and restored harmony to the Bible.