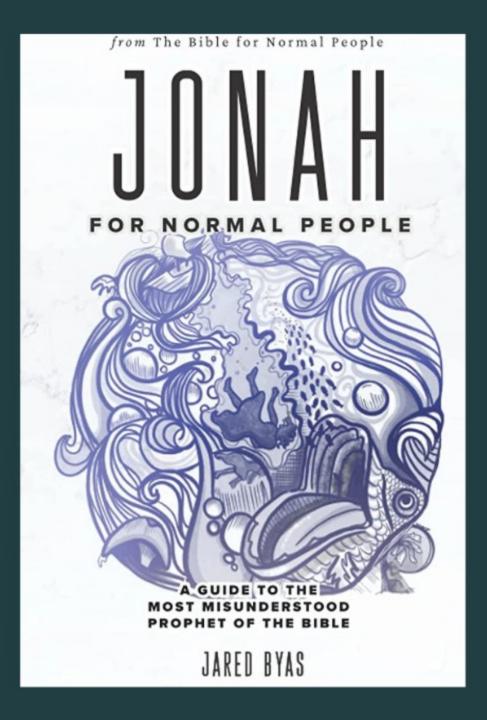
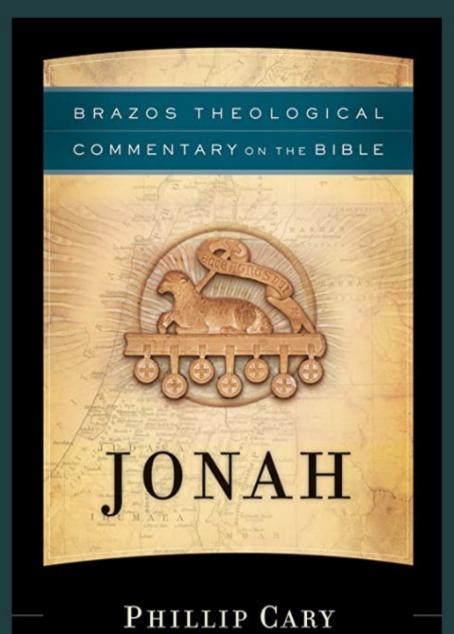


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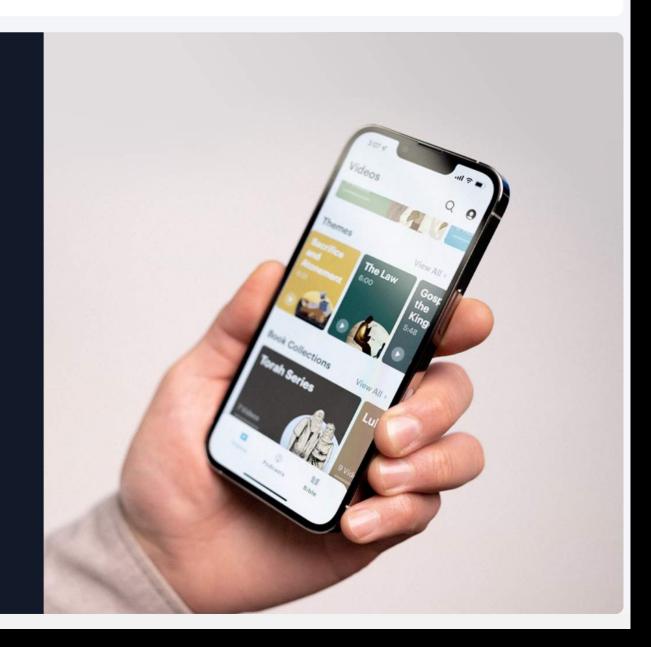




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Jeremiah 51:34 NIV – God's People Taken into Exile

"King Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon has eaten and crushed us and drained us of strength.

He has swallowed us like a great monster and filled his belly with our riches.

He has thrown us out of our own country."

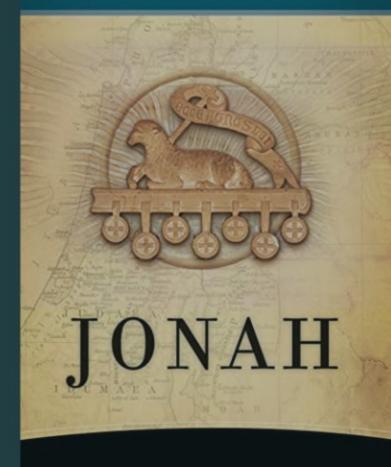
- "swallowed us" refers to exile throughout the OT
- "great monster" Hebrew: tannin (sea monster/dragon)
- "thrown us out" NRSV: "spewed us out"



The great fish is a comic version of an ancient nightmare, the great monster of the deep that represent chaos and destruction... Scripture often reckons with the nightmares of ancient near eastern mythology and puts the images to its own uses... In Jonah the nightmare is turned into comedy. The creature that swallows Jonah up is not one of the terrible monsters of the deep... but just a great big fish... Call it a monster if you wish, it's no big deal. Wherever you go in the world, the LORD who created it is there before you and can prepare a way for you, even if the way is a great big fish."

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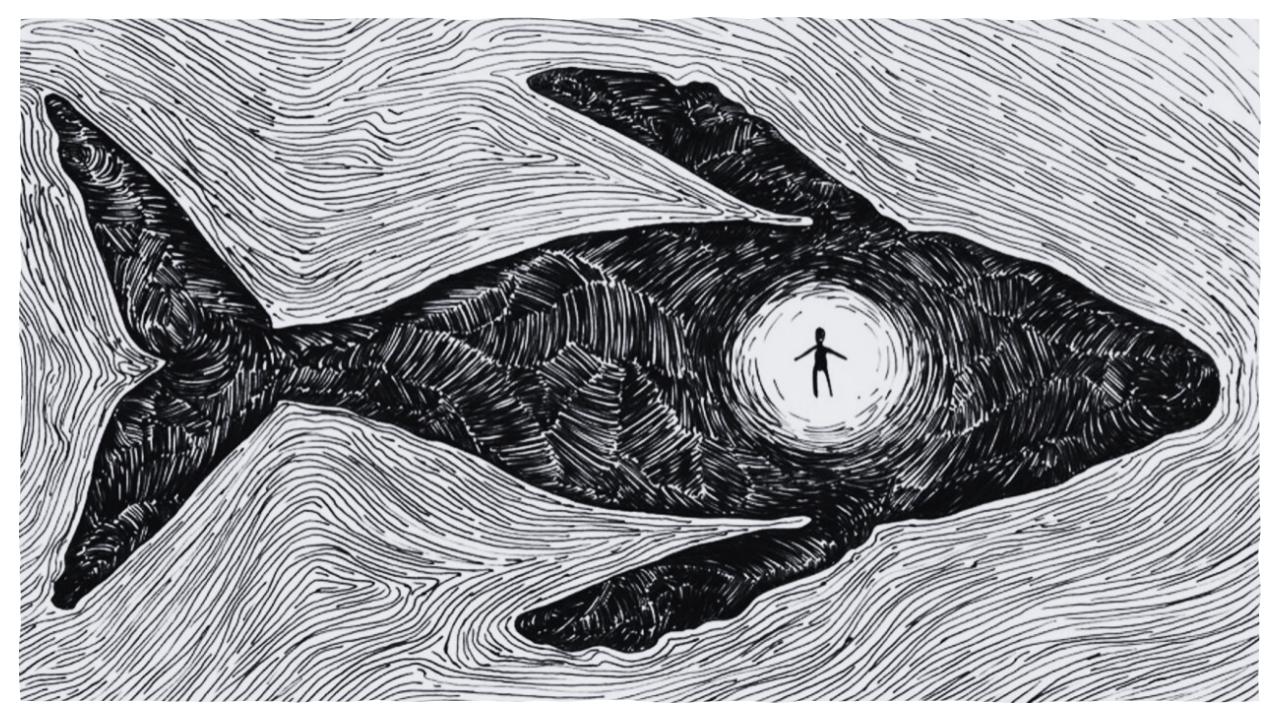
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