

Jonah in the Belly of a Fish (Jonah Ch 2)

Now the LORD provided a huge fish to swallow Jonah, and Jonah was in the belly of the fish three days and three nights. *Jonah Ch 1:17 (TNIV)*

Then some of the Pharisees and teachers of the law said to Jesus, 'Teacher, we want to see a sign from you.' He answered, 'A wicked and adulterous generation asks for a sign! But none will be given it except the sign of the prophet Jonah. For as Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of a huge fish, so the Son of Man will be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth. *Matthew 12:38-40 (TNIV)*

1. Sometimes it's only when we reach rock bottom that we realise

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2. When we find ourselves there, like Jonah, we must be driven

In my distress I called to the LORD, and he answered me. From deep in the realm of the dead I called for help, and you listened to my cry. Jonah 2:1,2 (TNIV)

3. There is no situation you can get yourself into where

4. God answers our prayers

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6. Jonah recognises that his situation was his own fault,

Those who cling to worthless idols turn away from God's love for them. Jonah 2:8 (TNIV)

7. Through repentance Jonah's prayer turns to

But I, with shouts of grateful praise, will sacrifice to you. What I have vowed I will make good. Jonah 2:9 (TNIV)

8. Our true deliverance is when we repent of our sin and realise that God has restored our relationship,.....

What I have vowed I will make good. I will say, 'Salvation comes from the LORD.' Jonah 2:9 (TNIV)