

6 Bible Characters: Jonah

Everything in Jonah is **SuperSize**

- **‘Ships of Tarshish’ – the ultra container ships of their time**
- **‘A violent storm arose and the ship threatened to break up.’**
- **All the sailors were afraid**
- **The LORD provided a huge fish to swallow Jonah**
- **The great city of Nineveh – three days to travel through it**
- **“Let everyone call urgently on God”**
- **The LORD God provided a leafy plant**
- **God provided a worm.**
- **The sun blazed down**
- **Jonah, the greatest evangelist in the Old Testament**

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Putting Jonah in proportion

The Lord's verdict on Jonah:

“The men of Nineveh will stand up at the judgment with this generation and condemn it, for they repented at the preaching of Jonah; and now something greater than Jonah is here.”

Luke 11.32

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The real Hero in the book of Jonah is God:

- **God sees a city in deep spiritual need, facing eternal punishment**
- **God sees in Jonah an evangelist, ready, gifted and available**
- **God sends – but the evangelist resists**
- **But God's plans will not be resisted: Nineveh will be given the chance to repent**

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What is God teaching us?

- **Don't turn away when God calls us to reach out to violent and hard-hearted people**
- **God's love is greater:**
 - **China – 100 million**
 - **Africa – 400 million**
 - **India?**
 - **Muslim world??**
 - **Europe???**

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With God,

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is SUPER SIZE