

Series: Jonah: Into the Depths of God's Heart and Ours

Sermon: Resignation

Scripture: Jonah 1:17-2:10

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Jonah 1:17-2:10 (ESV)

¹⁷ *And the LORD appointed a great fish to swallow up Jonah. And Jonah was in the belly of the fish three days and three nights.*

¹ *Then Jonah prayed to the LORD his God from the belly of the fish, ² saying,*

*"I called out to the LORD, out of my distress,
and he answered me;
out of the belly of Sheol I cried,
and you heard my voice.*

³ *For you cast me into the deep,
into the heart of the seas,
and the flood surrounded me;
all your waves and your billows
passed over me.*

⁴ *Then I said, 'I am driven away
from your sight;
yet I shall again look
upon your holy temple.'*

⁵ *The waters closed in over me to take my life;
the deep surrounded me;
weeds were wrapped about my head*

⁶ *at the roots of the mountains.
I went down to the land
whose bars closed upon me forever;
yet you brought up my life from the pit,
O LORD my God.*

⁷ *When my life was fainting away,
I remembered the LORD,
and my prayer came to you,
into your holy temple.*

⁸ *Those who pay regard to vain idols
forsake their hope of steadfast love.*

⁹ *But I with the voice of thanksgiving
will sacrifice to you;
what I have vowed I will pay.*

Salvation belongs to the LORD!"

¹⁰ *And the LORD spoke to the fish, and it vomited Jonah out upon the dry land.*

An Invitation to see ourselves as we really are (v. 2:1-10)

- *Something is right* (v. 2:1-2, 4, 5-10)
“Death is an abstraction to us, something technically true but unimaginable as a personal reality.” (Timothy Keller, “Growing My Faith in the Face of Death,” *The Atlantic*, March 7, 2021)
- *Something is wrong* (v. 2:3-4, 8-10)
“It is...all too possible to have an evangelical head and a legalistic heart.”
(Sinclair Ferguson, *The Whole Christ*, 94)

Matthew 20:13-15 (ESV)

¹³ *But he replied to one of them, “Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius? ¹⁴ Take what belongs to you and go. I choose to give to this last worker as I give to you. ¹⁵ Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or do you begrudge my generosity?”*

Leviticus 18:28 (ESV)

²⁸ *lest the land vomit you out when you make it unclean, as it vomited out the nation that was before you.*

An Invitation to see God as He really is (v. 2:10)

Acts 10:43 (NIV)

⁴³ *All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.*

Revelation 7:10 (ESV)

¹⁰ *and crying out with a loud voice, “Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!”*