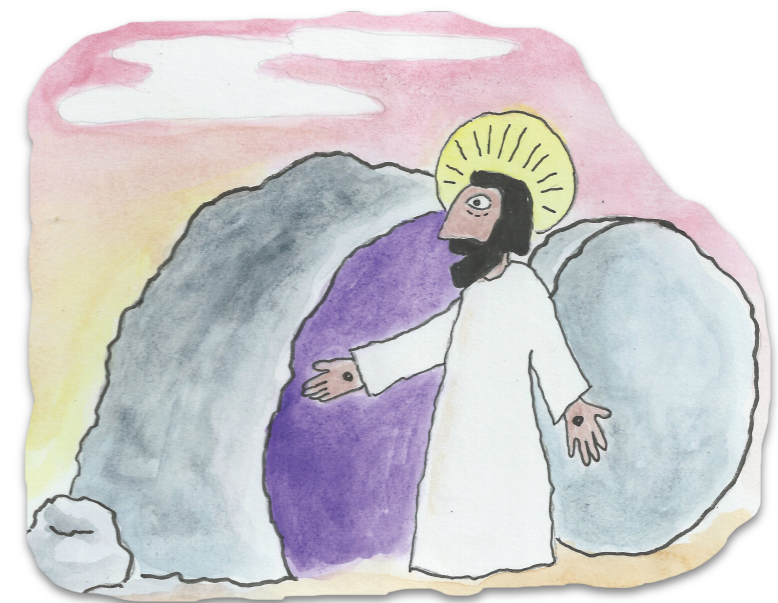
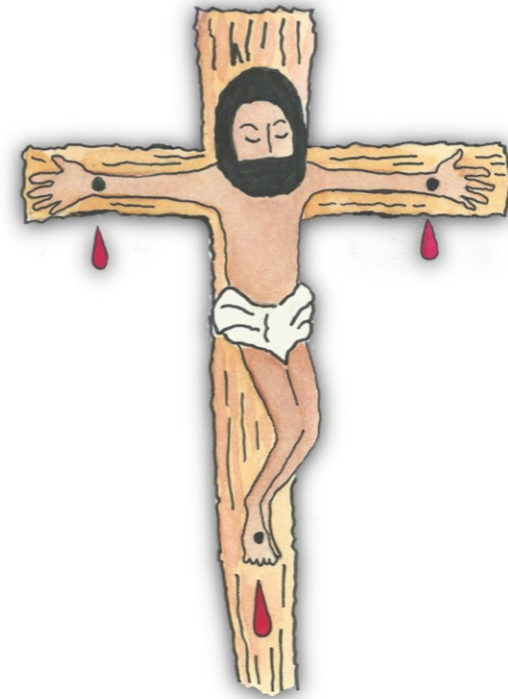
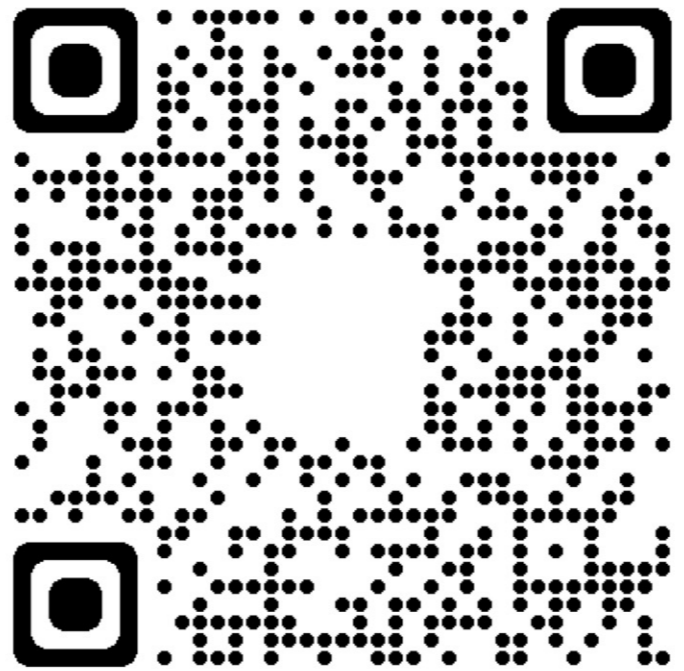


The Sign of Jonah

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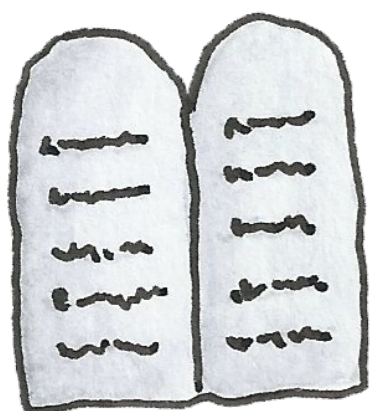
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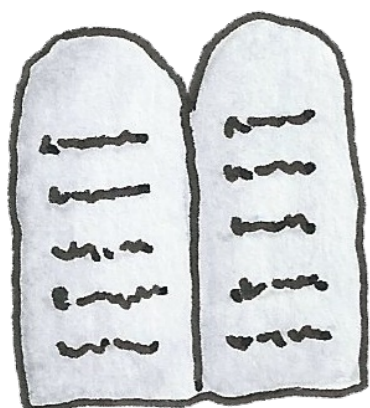
**What Connection
is there between
Jonah and Jesus?**





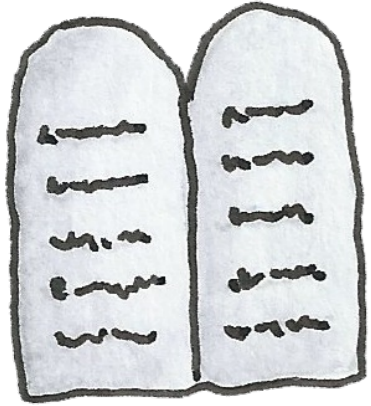
Jonah 1

And the word of Yahweh came to Jonah the son of Amittai, saying, "Get up! Go to the great city Nineveh and cry out against her, because their evil has come up before me." But Jonah set out to flee toward Tarshish from the presence of Yahweh. And he went down to Joppa and found a merchant ship going to Tarshish, and paid her fare, and went on board her to go with them toward Tarshish from the presence of Yahweh.



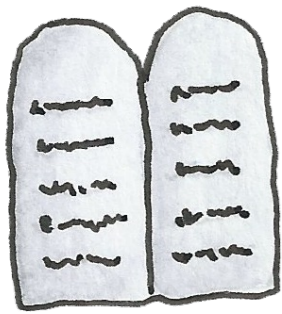
Jonah 1

And Yahweh hurled a great wind upon the sea, and it was a great storm on the sea, and the merchant ship was in danger of breaking up. And the mariners were afraid, and each cried out to his god. And they threw the contents that were in the merchant ship into the sea to lighten it for them. And meanwhile Jonah went down into the hold of the vessel and lay down and fell asleep.



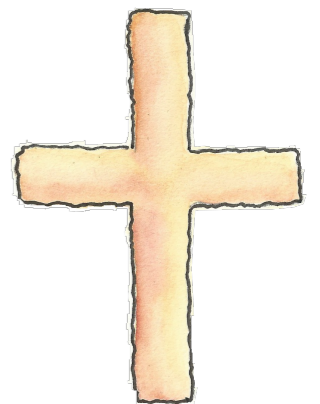
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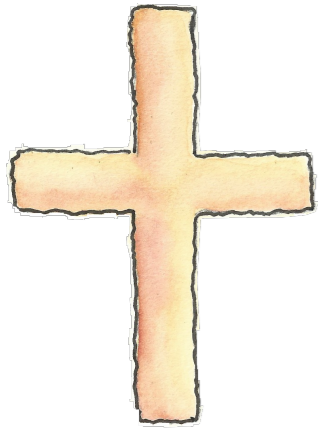
And the captain of the ship approached him and said to him, “Why are you sound asleep? Get up! Call on your god! Perhaps your god will take notice of us and we won't perish!”



What other man of God was...

- caught in a storm,
- on a boat,
- with a group of men,
- found sleeping,
- wakened, and
- asked to do something to keep men
from perishing?

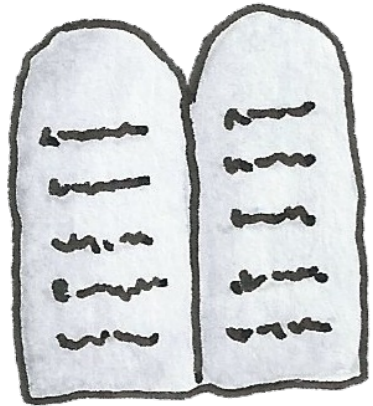




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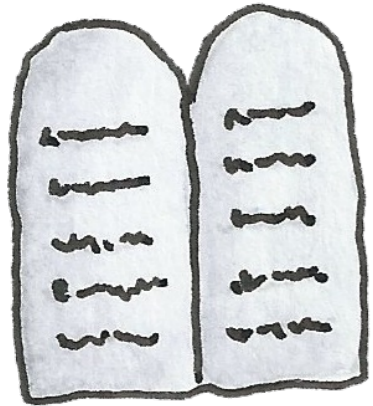
And as he got into the boat, his disciples followed him. And behold, a great storm arose on the sea, so that the boat was being inundated by the waves, but he himself was asleep.
And they came and woke him, saying, “Lord, save us! We are perishing!”

(Matthew 8:23-26 LEB <https://my.bible.com/bible/90/MAT.8.23-25>)



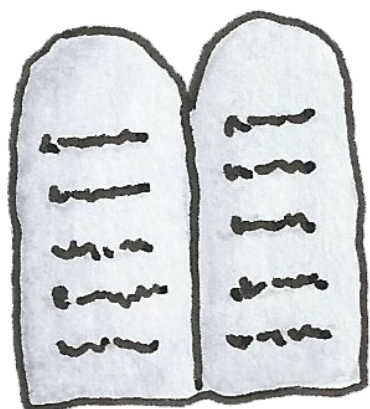
Jonah 1

And they said to one another, “Come, let us cast lots so that we may know on whose account this disaster has come on us!” And they cast lots, and the lot fell on Jonah. So they said to him, “Please tell us whoever is responsible that this disaster has come upon us! What is your occupation? And from where do you come? What is your country? And from which people are you?”



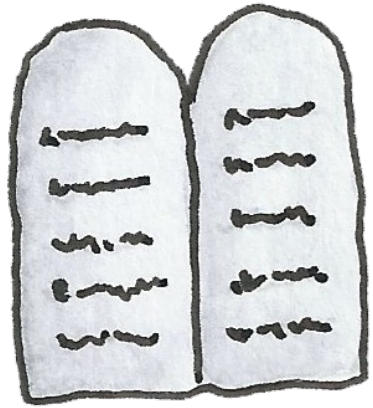
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And he said to them, "I am a Hebrew, and I fear Yahweh, the God of heaven, who made the sea and the dry land."



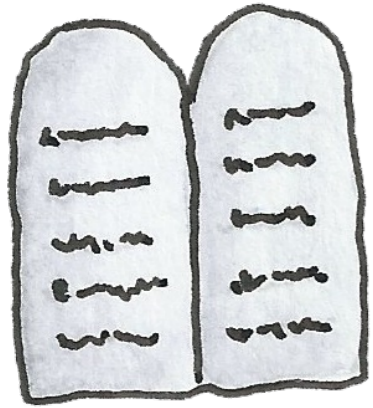
Jonah 1

Then the men were greatly afraid, and they said to him, “What is this you have done?” because they knew that he was fleeing from the presence of Yahweh (because he had told them). So they said to him, “What shall we do to you so that the sea may quiet down for us?” because the sea was growing more and more tempestuous.



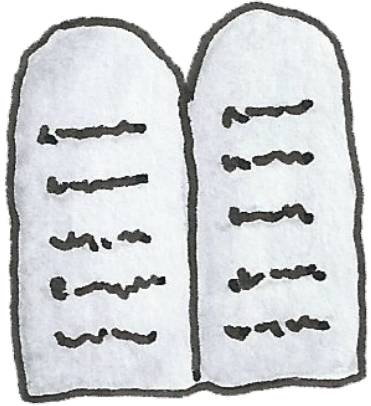
Jonah 1

And he said to them, "Pick me up and hurl me into the sea so that the sea may quiet down for you, because I know that on account of me this great storm has come upon you all."



Jonah 1

But the men rowed hard to bring the ship back to the dry land, and they could not do so because the sea was growing more and more tempestuous against them. So they cried out to Yahweh, and they said, "O Yahweh! Please do not let us perish because of this man's life, and do not make us guilty of innocent blood, because you, O Yahweh, did what you wanted."

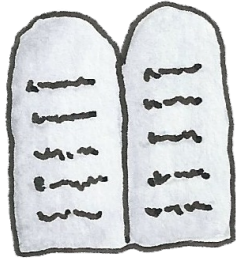


Jonah 1

And they picked Jonah up and
hurled him into the sea, and the
sea ceased from its raging. So the
men feared Yahweh greatly, and
they offered a sacrifice to
Yahweh and made vows.

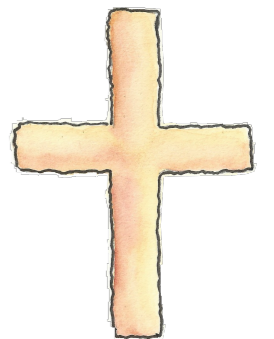
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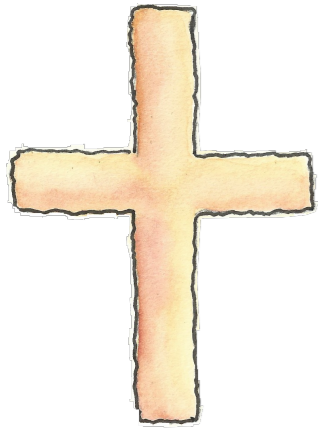
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What other man of God was killed...

- voluntarily
- as a self sacrifice
- to save others from death
- showing mercy to his executioners,
- causing his executioners to believe in God?





Luke & Matthew

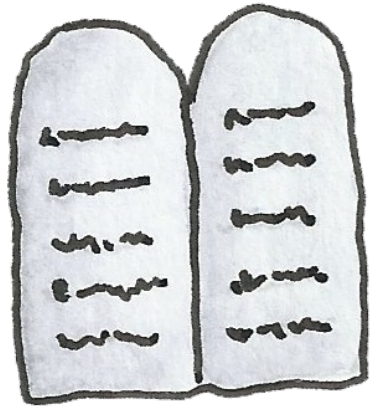
But Jesus said, “Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing.” And they cast lots to divide his clothes.

(Luke 23:34 LEB <https://my.bible.com/bible/90/LUK.23.34>)

Now the centurion and those with him who were guarding Jesus, when they saw the earthquake and the things that took place, were extremely frightened, saying,

“Truly this man was God’s Son!” (Matthew 27:54

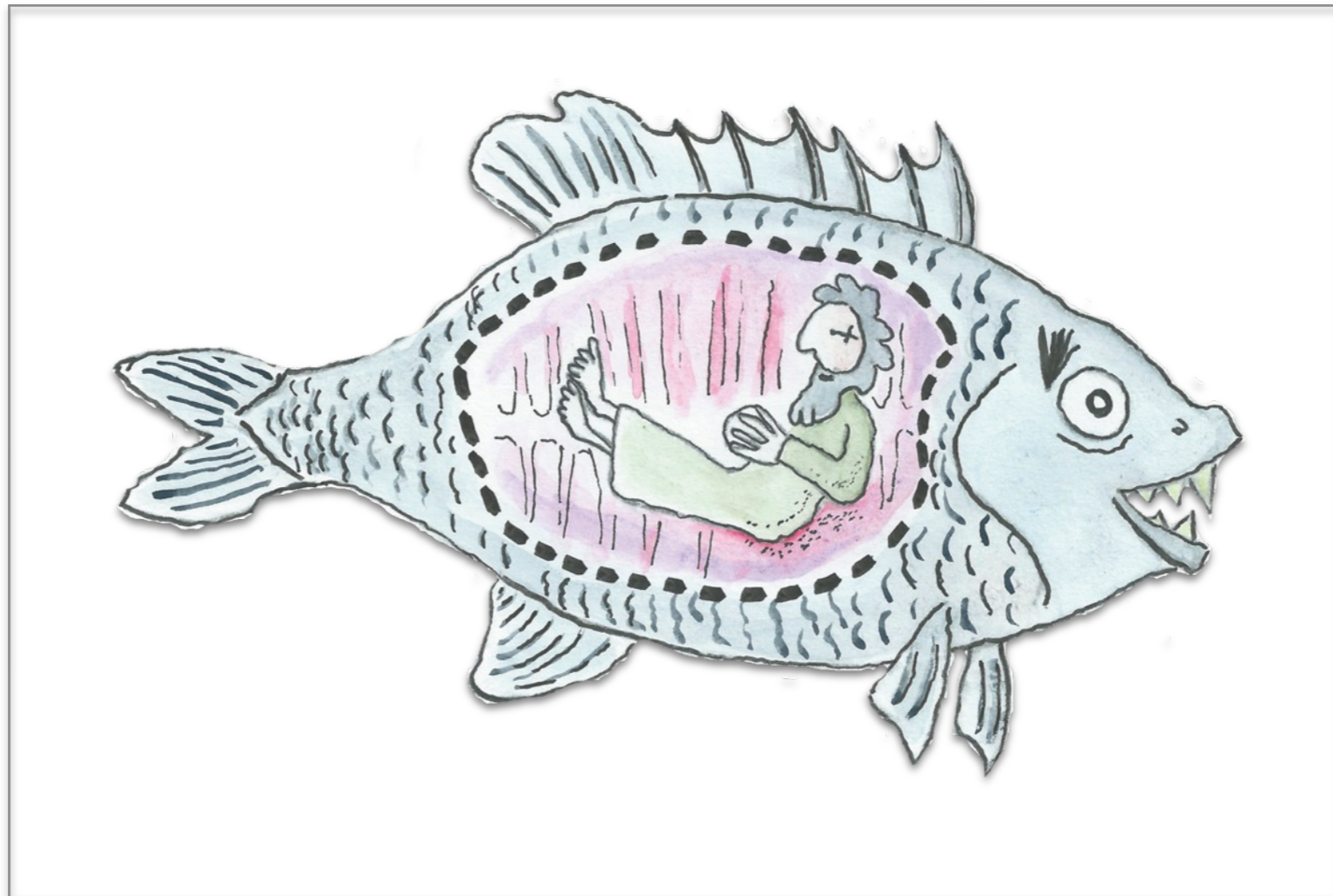
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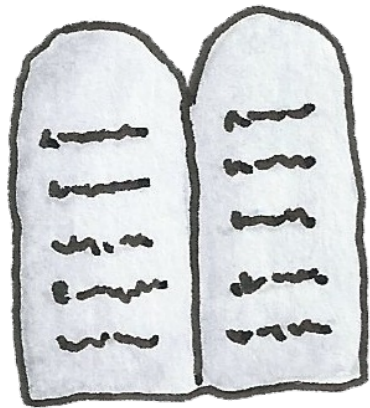


Jonah 1

And Yahweh provided a large fish to swallow up Jonah, and Jonah was in the belly of the fish three days and three nights. (Jonah 1:17 LEB)

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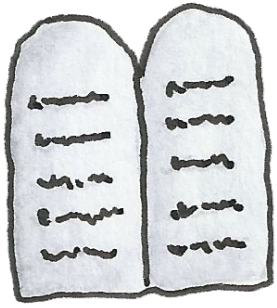
Jonah 2

And Yahweh spoke to the fish,
and it vomited Jonah out on the
dry land.

(Jonah 2:1-2,6-10 LEB <https://my.bible.com/bible/90/>

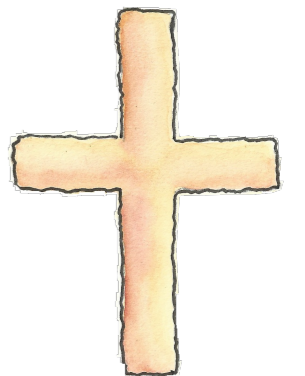
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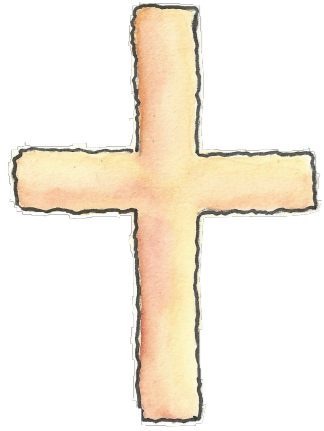




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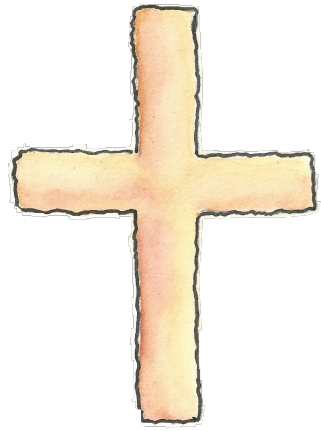
- killed
- buried for three days
- raised to life, and
- preaching to sinners thereafter
- who repented?





Matthew

Then some of the scribes and Pharisees answered him saying, "Teacher, we want to see a sign from you!" But he answered and said to them, "An evil and adulterous generation desires a sign, and no sign will be given to it except the sign of the prophet Jonah!



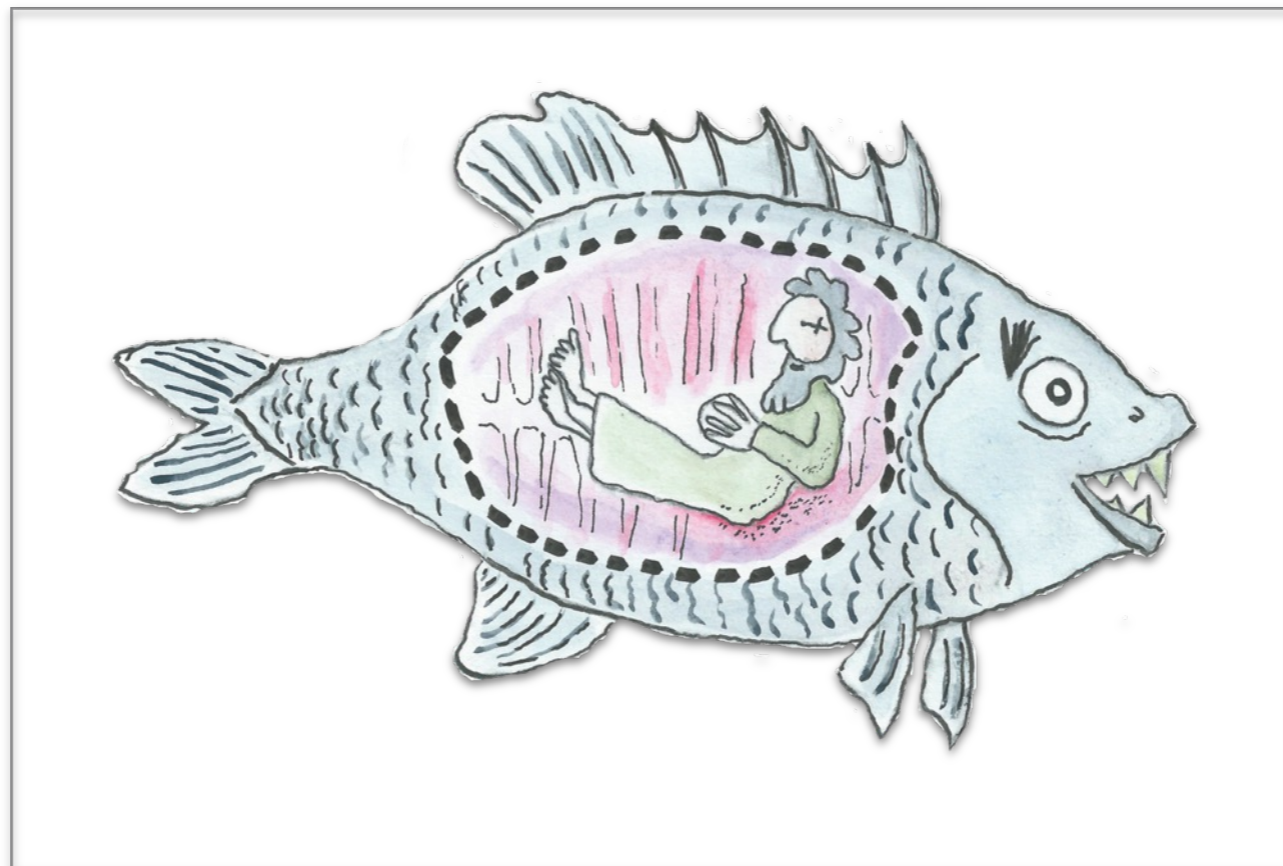
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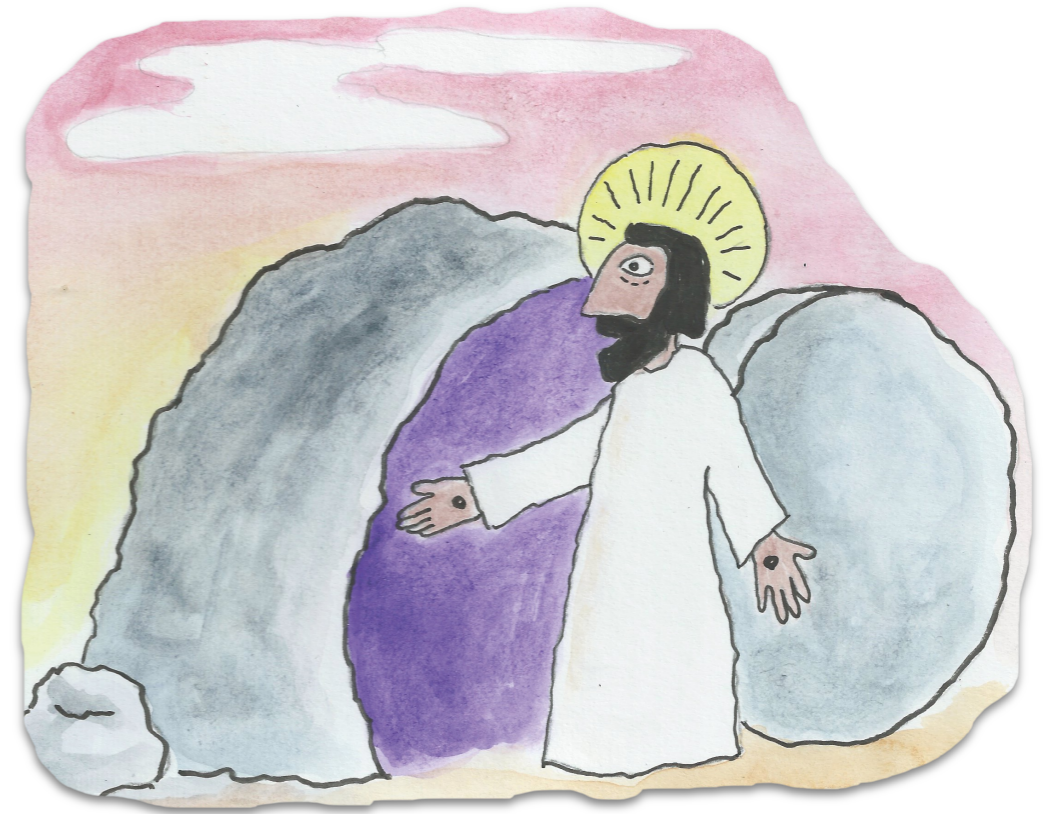
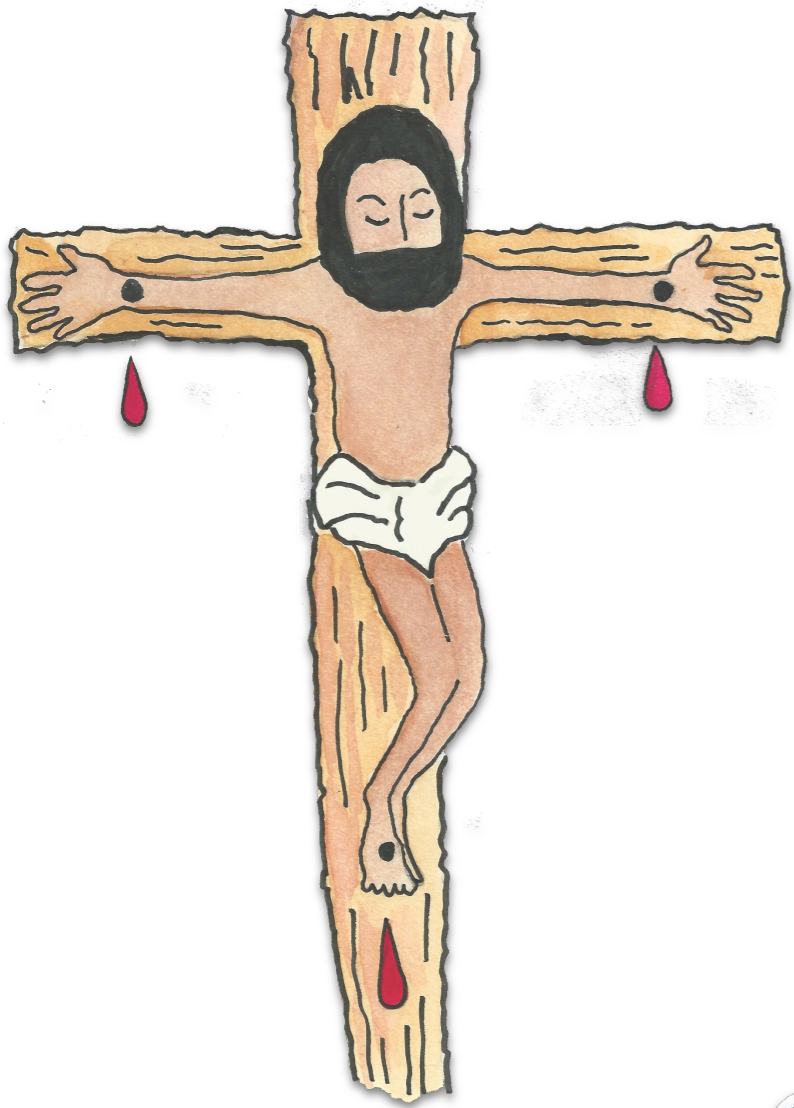
For just as Jonah was in the belly of the huge fish three days and three nights, so the Son of Man will be in the heart of the earth three days and three nights. The people of Nineveh will stand up at the judgment with this generation and condemn it, because they repented at the proclamation of Jonah, and behold, something greater than Jonah is here!

(Matthew 12:38-41 LEB <https://my.bible.com/bible/90/MAT.12.38-41>)

**Was Jonah Alive or Dead
in the Belly of the fish?**

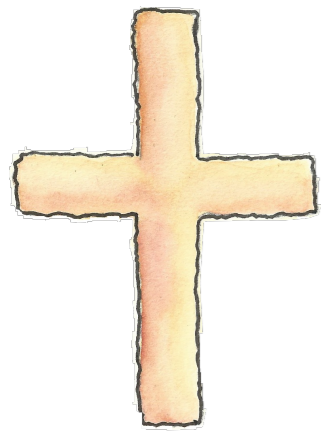
Death





Death To self & sin





Romans 6

Or do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus have been baptized into His death? Therefore we have been buried with Him through baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

(Romans 6:3-11 NASB <https://my.bible.com/bible/100/ROM.6.3-4>)