

GOOD NEWS - DAILY

Ephesians 2:1-2

And you He made alive, who were dead in trespasses and sins, in which you once walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit who now works in the sons of disobedience,

JONAH : DISOBEDIENCE TO RESSURECTION

John 14:21
21 He who has My commandments and keeps them, it is he who loves Me. And he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and manifest Myself to him.



Proverbs 3:12
12 For whom the Lord loves He corrects, Just as a father the son in whom he delights.

- Definitions:**
Disobedience
- obstinacy, obstinate opposition to the divine will
- Sheol**
underworld, grave, hell, pit
1. the underworld
 2. Sheol - the OT designation for the abode of the dead
 - a. place of no return
 - b. without praise of God
 - c. wicked sent there for punishment
 - d. righteous not abandoned to it
 - e. of the place of exile (fig)
 - f. of extreme degradation in sin

Romans 6:16
Do you not know that to whom you present yourselves slaves to obey, you are that one’s slaves whom you obey, whether of sin leading to death, or of obedience leading to righteousness?

Symbolism
Belly of the fish: Sheol

Jonah in the belly of the fish:
: sign of death and resurrection of Jesus that would lead to the repentance of gentiles (non-jews) Mathew 12:38-41

Sign of our own resurrection from death with Christ, Ephesians 2:5

The story of Jonah reveals how disobedience leads to affliction/correction, and surrender brings restoration. Jonah ran from God's call, and his life spiraled into a near-death experience until God saved him. He finally repented and submitted in the belly of the fish. Like Jonah, we may be struggling because we are not aligned with our assignment. True peace and purpose come when we stop resisting and start trusting. God is merciful and forgiving and can give a second chance when we turn back to Him. Surrender isn’t weakness—it’s the doorway to transformation and resurrection in our lives.

Prayer (Adapted from Jonah 2)
“In my distress, I call to you, Lord, from deep in the realm of the dead I call for help, and you listen to my cry. You hurled me into the depths, into the very heart of the seas, and the currents swirled about me; all your waves and breakers swept over me.
‘I have been banished from your sight; yet I will look again toward your holy temple.’The engulfing waters threaten me, the deep surround me; seaweed is wrapped around my head. To the roots of the mountains I have sunk; the earth beneath bars me in forever. But you, Lord my God, shall bring my life up from the pit. “When my life is ebbing away, I remember you, Lord, and my prayer rises to you, to your holy temple. “Those who cling to worthless idols turn away from God’s love for them. But I, with shouts of grateful praise, sacrifice to you. What I have vowed, I will make good. Salvation comes from the Lord. In the name of Jesus.
AMEN