



THE BOOK OF
JONAH

ALMIGHTY GOD DELIGHTS IN GRACIOUS ACTS OF COMPASSION

An underwater scene with sunlight rays filtering through the water, creating a serene and ethereal atmosphere. The water is a deep blue, and the light rays create a sense of depth and tranquility. The text is overlaid on a semi-transparent white rectangular box in the upper half of the image.

**YOU CAN RUN, BUT YOU CAN'T HIDE:
THANK GOD!**

JONAH 1

Up to my ears in bitter tears, can't believe I've sunk this low
As I walk the plankton, inner sanctum.
Got outta Dodge, sailed on a bon-less bon voyage.
You said North, I headed South. Tossed overboard.
Good Lord, that's a really large mouth.

I'm sleeping with fishes here, in the belly of the whale.
I'm highly nutritious here, in the belly of the whale.
Bad food, lousy atmosphere, I don't want to bellyache.
How long is this gonna take?



Woke up this morning kinda blue, thinking through that age-old question:

How to exit a whale's digestion?

It might behoove me to be heaved. Head out like a human comet.

Hmmmm... I wonder what rhymes with comet.

I'm sleeping with fishes here, in the belly of the whale.

I'm highly nutritious here, in the belly of the whale.

I'm ready to reappear. I don't want to bellyache.

Lord, how long's this gonna take?



End times, they come rolling around.
Enzymes, they come breaking us down to the core.
The good Lord grants we all get a second chance.

I'm one of the dishes here, in the belly of the whale.
They say I'm delicious here, in the belly of the whale.
Lord please make him chuck it all.
It's a gut call. In the belly of the whale.

In the Belly of the Whale

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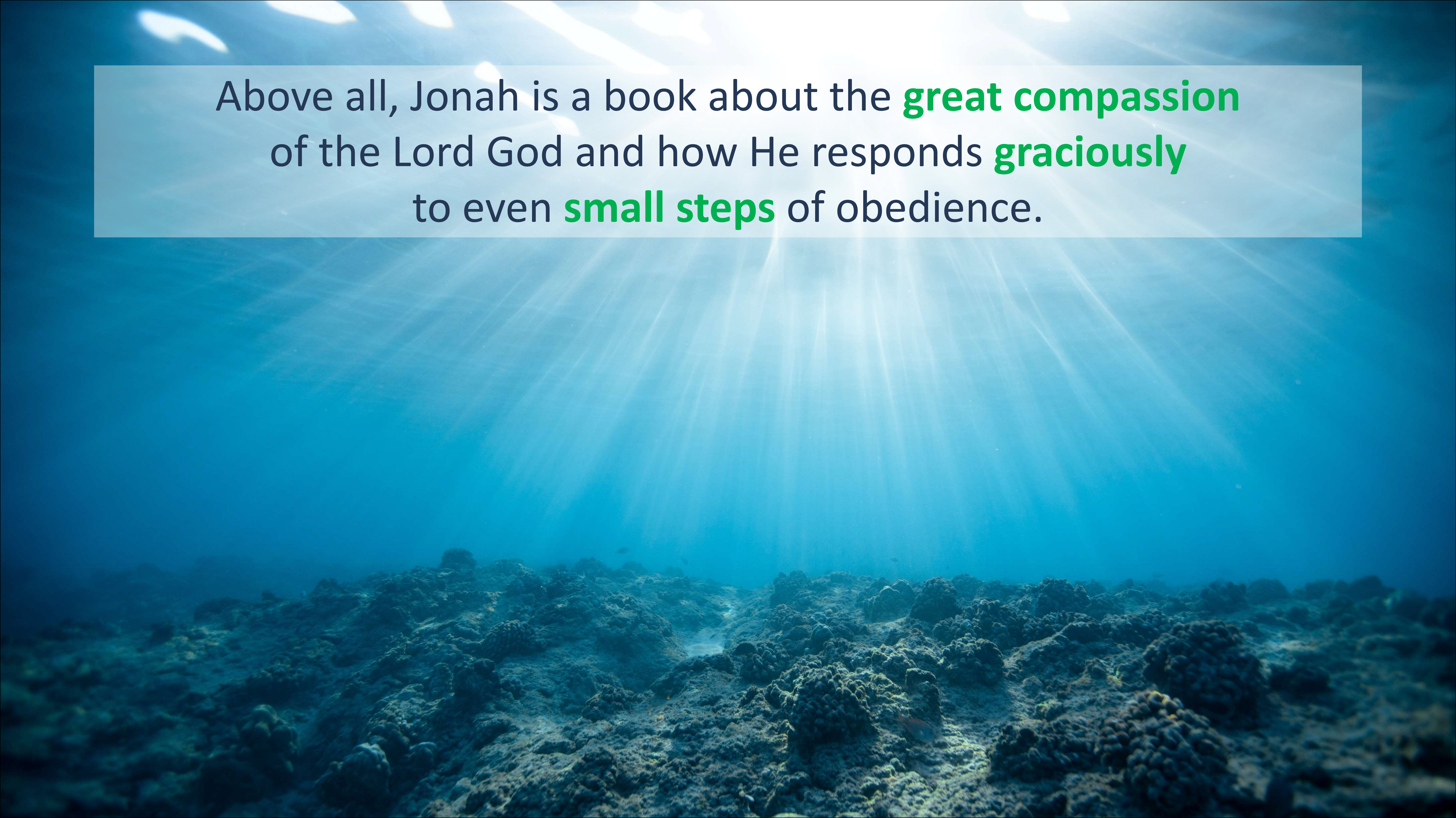
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Above all, Jonah is a book about the **great compassion** of the Lord God and how He responds **graciously** to even **small steps** of obedience.



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*“Where can I go from Your Spirit?
Or where can I flee from Your presence?
If I ascend to heaven, You are there;
If I make my bed in Sheol, behold, You are there.
If I dwell in the remotest part of the sea,
Even there Your hand will lead me,
And Your right hand will lay hold of me.”*

(Psalm 139:7-10)

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*“Can a man hide himself in hiding places
So I do not see him?” declares the Lord.*

‘Do I not fill the heavens and the earth?’ declares the Lord.”

(Jeremiah 23:24)

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- III. God's Gracious Control (Jonah 1:4)**

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- VI. Jonah's Glib Confession (Jonah 1:9)**

- a. The sailors' fright (vv. 4-5a)
 - b. The sailors' prayer to their gods (v. 5b)
 - c. The sailors unloading the ship (v. 5c)
 - d. The captain's speech to Jonah (v. 6)
 - e. The sailors' word to each other (v. 7a)
 - f. The sailors' question to Jonah, Who are you (vv. 7b-8)
 - g. Jonah's confession (v. 9)
 - f'. The sailors' question to Jonah, What have you done? (v. 10a)
 - e'. The sailor's question to Jonah, What shall we do? (v. 10b-11)
 - d'. Jonah's words to the sailors (v. 12)
 - c'. The sailors' rowing of the ship (v. 13)
 - b'. The sailor's prayer to the Lord (v. 14)
 - a'. The sailor's fear of the Lord (vv. 15-16)

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- VII. God's Gracious Provision (Jonah 1:10-17)**

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