# **Storms and Surrender | The Sailors Conversion**

# Scripture Reading: Jonah 1:11-16

Opening Question: Do you know **about** God or do you **know** God?

Dig in = (literally to dig in or to row) **physical effort** | **spiritual truth** (References: Job 24:16-17, Ezekiel 8:8, 12:5-12, Amos 9:2 and Jonah 1:13)

#### When we call out to Jesus, Jesus saves.

(References: Jonah 1:14\*, Psalm 69:1-2, Psalm 144:7, Matthew 8:25\*, and 14:30-31)

- \*save us from perishing. [Sailors and Disciples]

#### God is in **control**, and He will have **His way**:

(References: Psalm 115:3, Psalm 135:6, Isaiah 46:9-10, Daniel 4:35)

#### To **know** God is to be **known** by God.

(References: Galatians 4:9, 1 Corinthians 8:3, John 10:14, 1 Corinthians 13:12, 2 Timothy 2:19, Psalm 139:1-2)

#### Salvation in the storms of life:

#### 1. The Storm = Life without God:

(References: Jonah 1:4, Psalm 107:28-30, Isaiah 57:20-21)

## 2. Jonah's Message = Gospel Message:

(References: Jonah 1:9, Romans 1:16-17, 1 Corinthians 1:18)

## 3. Question & Answer = Seeking & Finding Christ:

(References: Acts 16:30-31, Jeremiah 29:13, Matthew 7:7)

## 4. Sailors' Struggle = Our Struggle:

(References: Jonah 1:13, Psalm 127:1-2, Proverbs 3:5-6)

## 5. Crying Out to God = Our Need for God:

References: Jonah 1:14, Psalm 50:15, Psalm 107:13-14)

#### 6. Jonah Overboard = Christ's Sacrifice:

(References: Romans 5:8, Isaiah 53:5, 1 Peter 2:24)

## 7. Calm Sea = Peace in Christ:

(References: John 14:27, Philippians 4:6-7, John 16:33)

## 8. Prayers & Sacrifices = Living for God:

(References: Ephesians 2:8-10, 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18, Hebrews 13:15-16)

Closing Thought: How can I know and grow in Christ?