

Study Guide on Jonah 2:1-10

New International Version

Assign each person in the class one or more verses to study.
Each person should answer these two questions on their assigned verse.

1. What does this verse say?
2. What does this verse mean to me?
3. Discuss your answers with the class.

Jonah 2:1-10

(Jonah 2:1) From inside the fish Jonah prayed to the LORD his God.

(Jonah 2:2) He said: “In my distress I called to the LORD, and he answered me. From deep in the realm of the dead I called for help, and you listened to my cry.

(Jonah 2:3) 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.

(Jonah 2:4) I said, ‘I have been banished from your sight; yet I will look again toward your holy temple.’

(Jonah 2:5) The engulfing waters threatened me, the deep surrounded me; seaweed was wrapped around my head.

(Jonah 2:6) To the roots of the mountains I sank down; the earth beneath barred me in forever. But you, LORD my God, brought my life up from the pit.

(Jonah 2:7) “When my life was ebbing away, I remembered you, LORD, and my prayer rose to you, to your holy temple.

(Jonah 2:8) “Those who cling to worthless idols turn away from God’s love for them.

(Jonah 2:9) But I, with shouts of grateful praise, will sacrifice to you. What I have vowed I will make good. I will say, ‘Salvation comes from the LORD.’”

(Jonah 2:10) And the LORD commanded the fish, and it vomited Jonah onto dry land.

Write the verse or verses you have been assigned in the space below:

Answer These Questions for Class Discussion or Study

1. What does the verse say?
2. What does the verse mean to me?