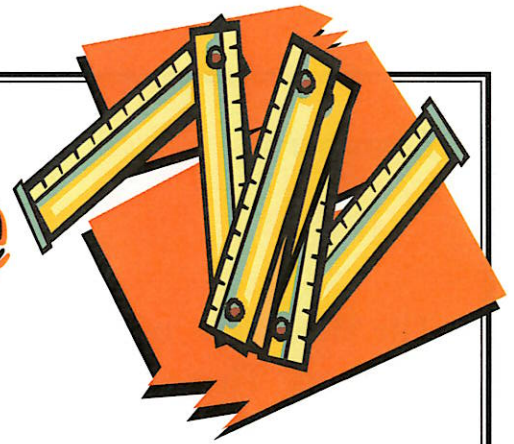


# Measuring By God's Rule



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*Lesson 10*

## Jonah — a Prophet to Nineveh

Your child should understand...

Obedience — Punishment and repentance

Your child should be able to...

1. Define “prophet.”
2. Describe Jonah’s reaction to God’s instructions to go to Nineveh and preach.
3. Describe Jonah’s punishment.
4. Tell how Jonah reacted to God’s command after the punishment.

Your child should be memorizing...

2 Chronicles 34:33

“Josiah removed all of the statues of gods....The Lord hated those statues. Josiah had everyone in Israel serve the Lord their God.”

Please read to your child...

- 1 Deuteronomy 18:15-22
- 2 1 Peter 1:10-12; 2 Peter 1:20-21
- 3 1 Kings 22:4-6, 8-9, 15, 26-28
- 4 Jonah 1-2
- 5 Jonah 3-4

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The Bible tells us that there were many men who told God's messages to others. These teachers were called "prophets." Sometimes, a prophet would tell the people about things that were going to happen. Sometimes, a prophet would warn the people to change or they would be punished by God. One of these prophets was named Jonah.

**Circle the right word to fill in the blank:  
A person who told God's messages to the people is called a**

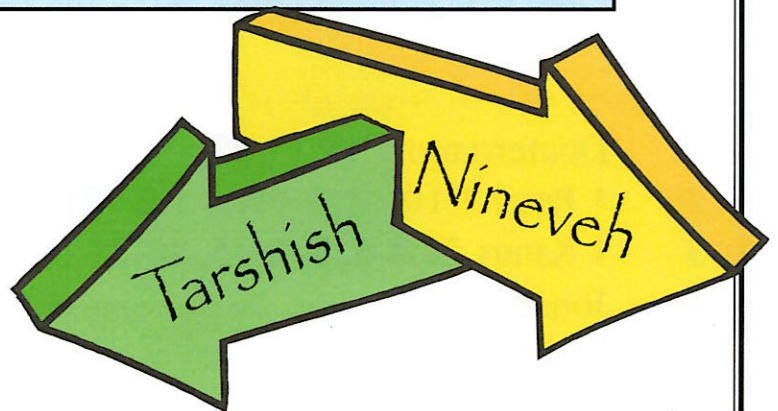
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**policeman      prophet      pilot**

God told Jonah to go to the city of Nineveh to tell the people that they needed to turn away from their wickedness. But Jonah disobeyed God! He got on a ship and started to go in the other direction to the city of Tarshish. Jonah was trying to run away from the Lord!

**What did Jonah do at first when God told him to go to Nineveh and preach?**

That night, a big wild storm came up. The ship Jonah on was about to break apart. The people on the ship cried out to their false gods. But, of course, the storm did not stop. They begged Jonah to call on our true God to stop the storm. Jonah wouldn't do it. Finally, the people were so afraid that they threw Jonah overboard into the Mediterranean Sea. When they did this, the sea became calm.





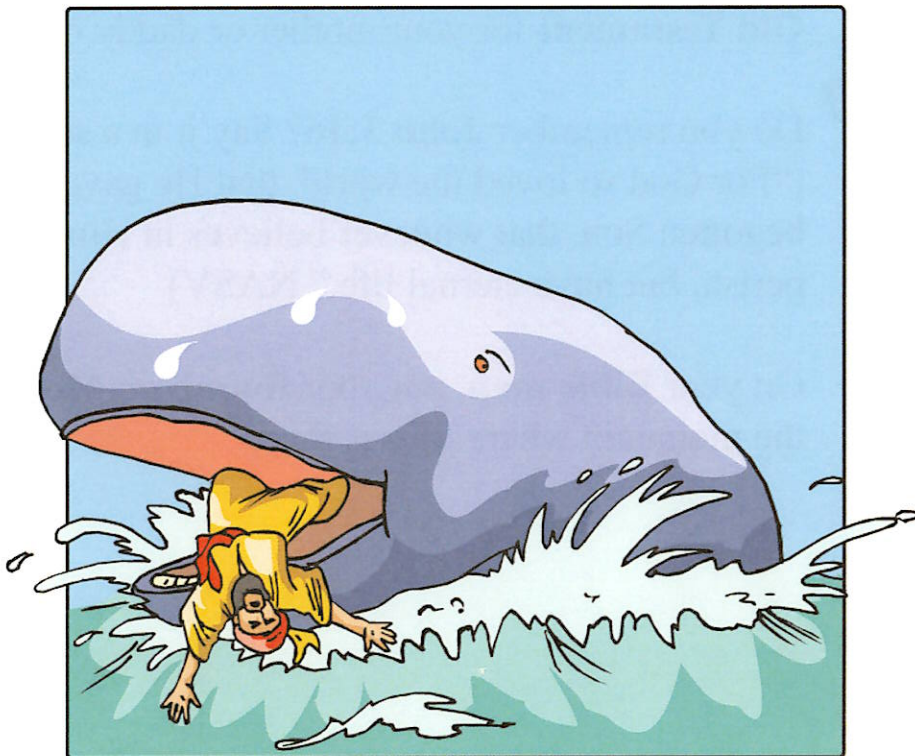
Jonah was swallowed by a huge fish. He was in the stomach of that fish for three days and three nights! Jonah prayed to God. He was sorry that he had disobeyed God. Then God commanded the fish to vomit Jonah up onto dry land.

At last Jonah was willing to obey God and go to the city of Nineveh. Jonah went all through Nineveh and preached to the people. When they heard Jonah's preaching, they obeyed God and turned away from their wickedness. They decided not to eat any food. They all put on black clothes. Even their king stopped eating and put on black clothes. They did these things because they were so sad about the bad things they had done. When God saw how sad they were about their sins, He did not punish them.

**What did Jonah do after God punished him?**

**Did the people of Nineveh obey God and turn away from their wicked ways?**

**Yes                      or                      No**



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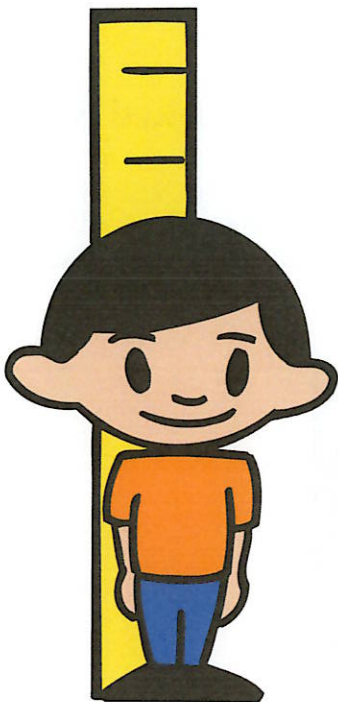
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### Memory Verse:

Practice saying your **memory verse** with your mother or daddy. **Then can you say it without any help?** Give it a try!

2 Chronicles 34:33

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## Measure What You Know!

How many books are in the **Old Testament**? (39)

Ask your **mother or daddy or teacher** to say the books of the **Old Testament**. Now, you say the books of the **Old Testament** for your mother or daddy or teacher!

Do you remember **John 3:16**? Say it in a **soft voice**. (“For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life.” NASV)

On your **Bible map**, put your **thumb** on **Mount Nebo**, the mountain where Moses died.