

The Not-So-Minor Prophets: Jonah

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I. Authorship & Historical Context

II. Structure

Part 1:

“The word of the LORD came to Jonah... But Jonah” (1: 1-3)

Part 2:

“Then the word of the LORD came to Jonah a second time... So Jonah” (3:1-3)

III. Themes

- God’s sovereignty
- Repentance
- Israel’s calling

- God's mercy

IV. The Point of Jonah

V. Jonah in the New Testament

Matthew 12:38–41

[38] Then some of the scribes and Pharisees answered him, saying, “Teacher, we wish to see a sign from you.” [39] But he answered them, “An evil and adulterous generation seeks for a sign, but no sign will be given to it except the sign of the prophet Jonah. [40] For just as Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of the great fish, so will the Son of Man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth. [41] The men of Nineveh will rise up at the judgment with this generation and condemn it, for they repented at the preaching of Jonah, and behold, something greater than Jonah is here. (Parallel in Luke 11:29-32)

Matthew 28:18–20

[18] And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. [19] Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, [20] teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

