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THE BIBLE IS FILLED WITH STORIES OF GOD SENDING HIS SPECIAL MESSENGERS, CALLED PROPHETS, TO CITIES FILLED WITH WICKED PEOPLE, WARNING THEM TO CHANGE THEIR WAYS OR BE PUNISHED FOR THEIR SINS.



OF ALL THE CITIES THAT RECEIVED THESE WARNINGS, NINEVEH WAS ONE OF THE WORST.



SO, WHEN THE LORD CALLED ON JONAH TO GO TO NINEVEH AND PREACH TO THE PEOPLE THERE, HE WAS TERRIFIED.

JONAH WAS SO SCARED THAT HE DECIDED TO TRAVEL IN THE OPPOSITE DIRECTION OF NINEVEH.

HE WENT DOWN TO THE PORT CITY OF JOPPA, WHERE HE FOUND A SHIP LEAVING FOR TARSHISH.

HE BOUGHT A TICKET AND WENT ON BOARD, HOPING THAT TARSHISH WOULD BE FAR ENOUGH AWAY THAT HE COULD ESCAPE FROM THE LORD AND HIS MISSION.

WHILE OUT TO SEA, THE LORD SENT A POWERFUL WIND CAUSING A VIOLENT STORM THAT THREATENED TO SINK THE SHIP.



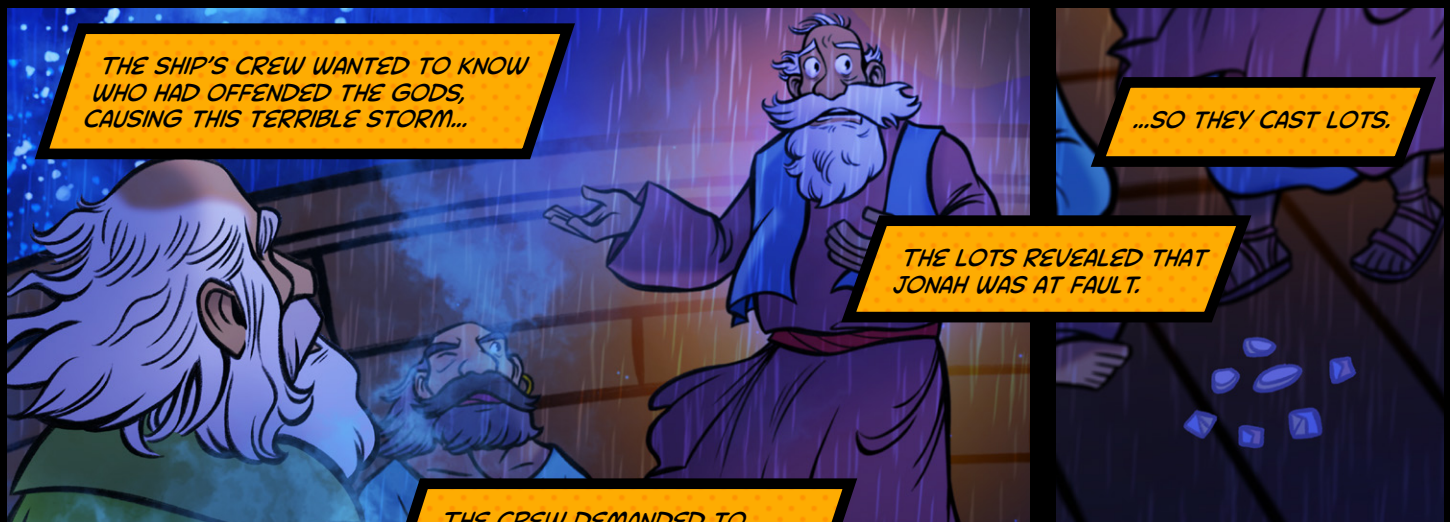
FEARING FOR THEIR LIVES, THE DESPERATE SAILORS BEGGED THEIR GODS FOR HELP AND THREW THE CARGO OVERBOARD TO HELP MAKE THE SHIP LIGHTER AND STAY AFLOAT.

BUT BELOW THE SHIP'S DECK, JONAH SLEPT PEACEFULLY UNTIL THE CAPTAIN FOUND HIM.

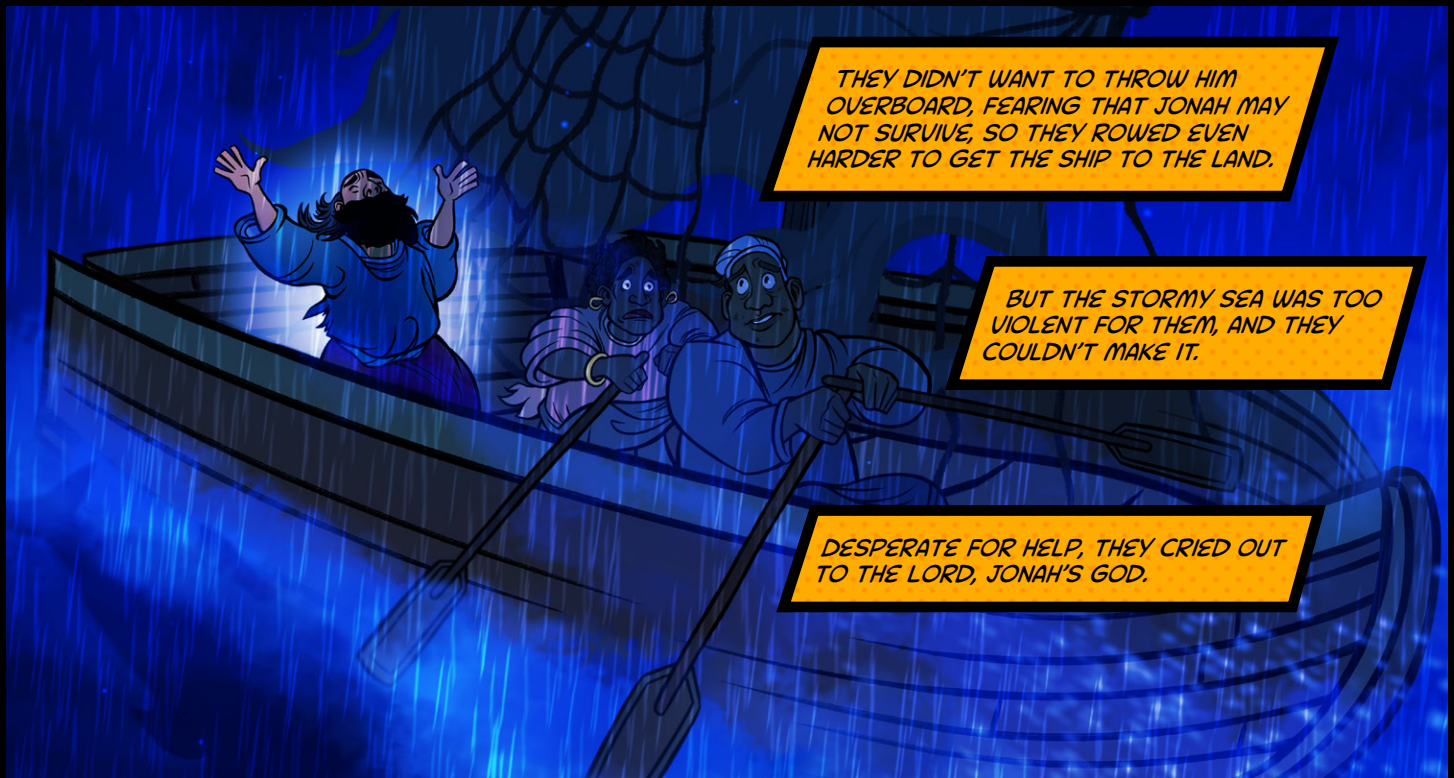
HOW CAN YOU AT A TIME LIKE THIS?!

GET UP AND PRAY TO YOUR GOD!

MAYBE HE WILL PAY ATTENTION AND SAVE OUR LIVES.



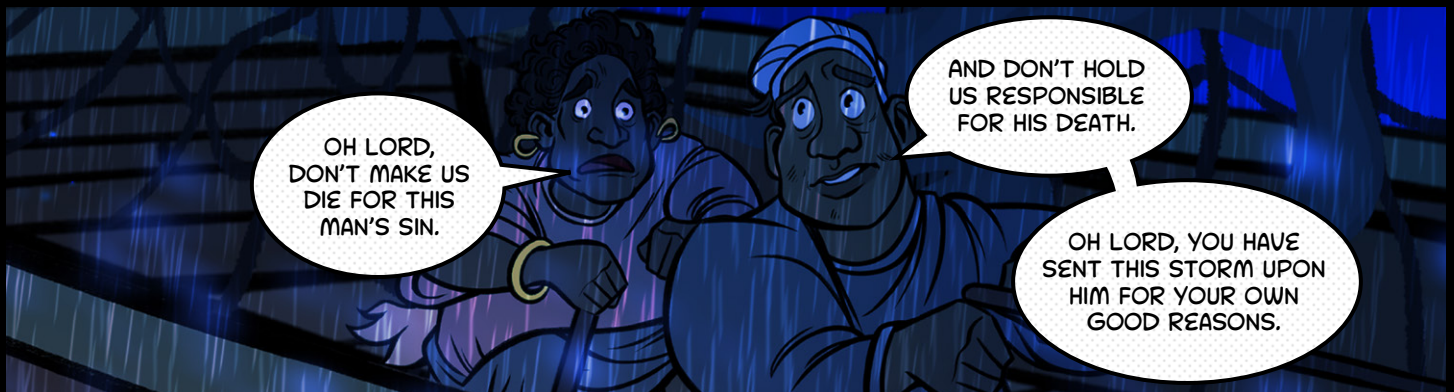




THEY DIDN'T WANT TO THROW HIM OVERBOARD, FEARING THAT JONAH MAY NOT SURVIVE, SO THEY ROWED EVEN HARDER TO GET THE SHIP TO THE LAND.

BUT THE STORMY SEA WAS TOO VIOLENT FOR THEM, AND THEY COULDN'T MAKE IT.

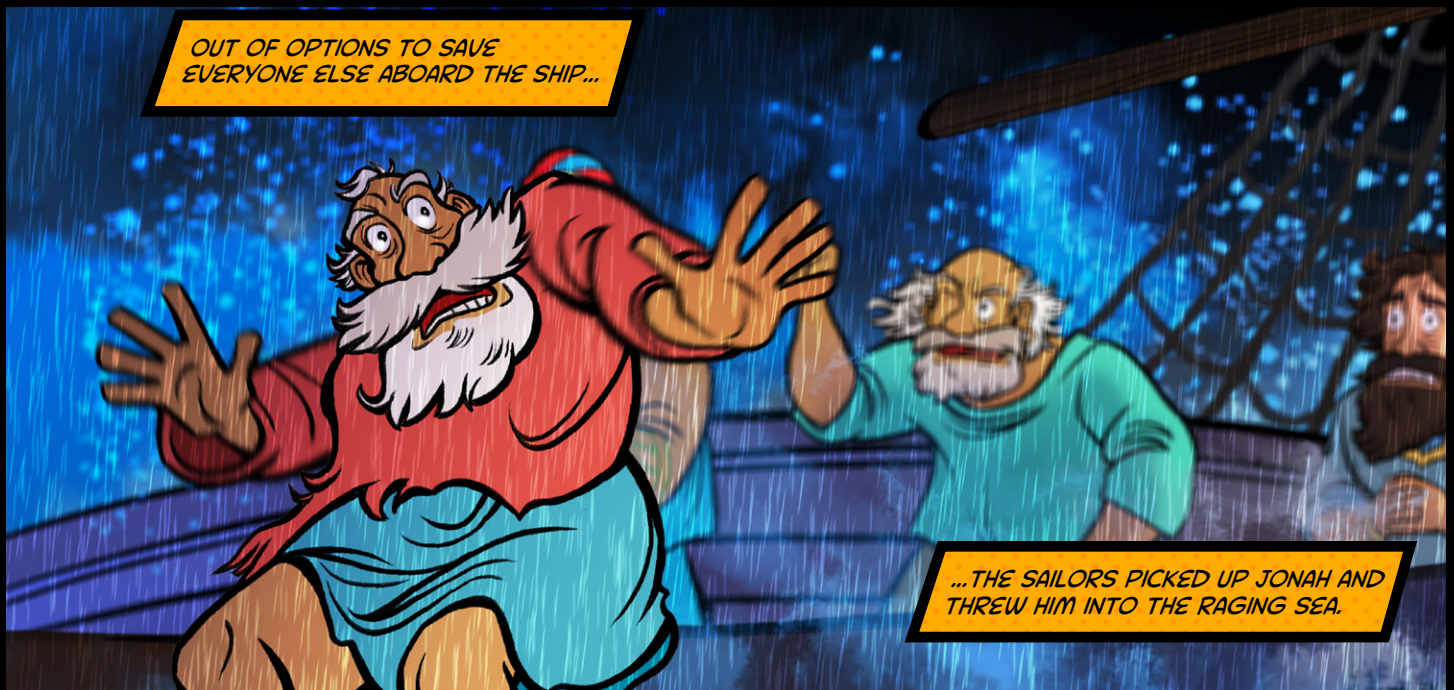
DESPERATE FOR HELP, THEY CRIED OUT TO THE LORD, JONAH'S GOD.



OH LORD, DON'T MAKE US DIE FOR THIS MAN'S SIN.

AND DON'T HOLD US RESPONSIBLE FOR HIS DEATH.

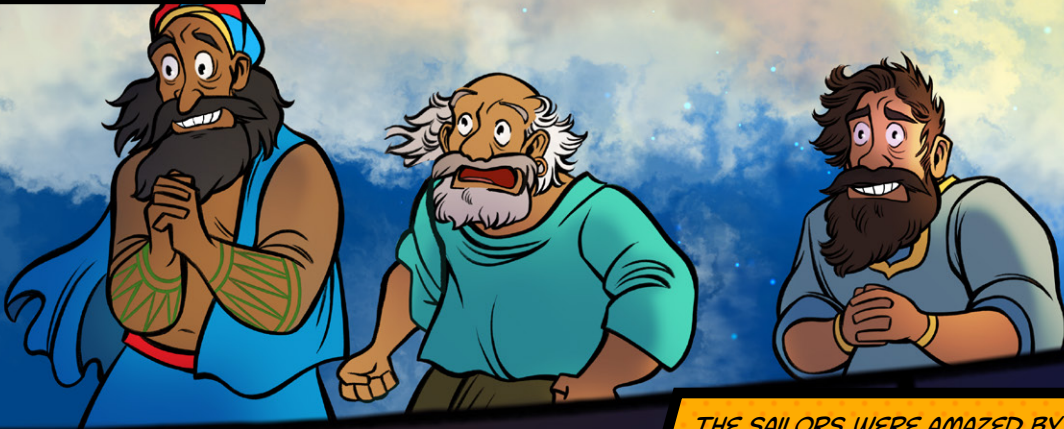
OH LORD, YOU HAVE SENT THIS STORM UPON HIM FOR YOUR OWN GOOD REASONS.



OUT OF OPTIONS TO SAVE EVERYONE ELSE ABOARD THE SHIP...

...THE SAILORS PICKED UP JONAH AND THREW HIM INTO THE RAGING SEA.


AND JUST LIKE THAT, THE
WIND STOPPED, AND THE
SEA BECAME CALM!




THE SAILORS WERE AMAZED BY THE LORD'S
GREAT POWER, AND THEY OFFERED HIM A
SACRIFICE AND PROMISED TO SERVE HIM.



JONAH DIDN'T STAY FLOATING
AROUND IN THE CALM SEA FOR LONG.

A dramatic illustration showing a man with a beard and a blue tunic falling through a swirling, colorful vortex of blue, purple, and pink light. The vortex has a jagged, tooth-like edge on the right side, suggesting the interior of a massive creature. The man is in a falling position with his arms outstretched.

SUDDENLY, A HUGE FISH THAT THE LORD HAD SENT CAME UP FROM UNDER HIM AND SWALLOWED JONAH WHOLE.

A close-up illustration of the open mouth of a massive, blue-skinned fish. The mouth is wide open, revealing a large, pink tongue and rows of sharp, yellow teeth. The background is a swirling, colorful vortex of blue, purple, and pink light, matching the scene above.

JONAH LIVED IN THE BELLY OF THIS MASSIVE FISH FOR THREE DAYS AND THREE NIGHTS.

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