

Jonah 3:1-10 **Nineveh repented at the preaching of Jonah** **God accepted their repentance**

Jonah Preaches at Nineveh

- 1 Now the word of Yahweh (the Lord) came to Jonah the second time, saying,
- 2 "Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and preach to it the message that I tell you."
- 3 So Jonah arose and went to Nineveh, according to the word of Yahweh (the Lord). Now Nineveh was an exceedingly great city, a three-day journey in extent.
- 4 And Jonah began to enter the city on the first day's walk. Then he cried out and said, "Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!"

The People of Nineveh Believe and Repent

- 5 So the people of Nineveh believed Elohiym (God), proclaimed a fast, and put on sackcloth, from the greatest to the least of them.
- 6 Then word came to the king of Nineveh; and he arose from his throne and laid aside his robe, covered himself with sackcloth and sat in ashes.
- 7 And he caused it to be proclaimed and published throughout Nineveh by the decree of the king and his nobles, saying,
Let neither man nor beast, herd nor flock, taste anything; do not let them eat, or drink water.
- 8 But let man and beast be covered with sackcloth, and cry mightily to Elohiym (God); yes, let every one turn from his evil way and from the violence that is in his hands.
- 9 Who can tell if Elohiym (God) will turn and relent, and turn away from His fierce anger, so that we may not perish?

Yahweh is Merciful

- 10 Then Elohiym (God) saw their works, that they turned from their evil way; and Elohiym (God) relented from the disaster that He had said He would bring upon them, and He did not do it.
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Facts Revealed:

Jonah Preaches at Nineveh [\[Jonah 3:1-4\]](#)

- ✧ Jonah was left on the beach of Israel by the great fish and returned home.
- ✧ Yahweh came to Jonah a second time and repeated His call for Jonah to go and preach to the people of Nineveh.
- ✧ Jonah arose and went to Nineveh which was straight line 560 miles away.
- ✧ Nineveh was a great city so large it took three days to walk through it.
- ✧ Jonah's message was that Nineveh would be overthrown in forty days.

The People of Nineveh Believe and Repent [\[Jonah 3:5-9\]](#)

- ✧ From the greatest to the least, from the king down, the people of Nineveh repented in sackcloth and ashes with fasting and fervent prayer, hoping Yahweh would turn from His fierce anger and relent that they may not perish.

Yahweh is Merciful [\[Jonah 3:10\]](#)

- ✧ Then Elohiym (God) saw their works, that they turned from their evil way; and Elohiym (God) relented from the disaster that He had said He would bring upon them, and He did not do it.
- ✧ Yahweh truly is merciful and compassionate.