



# Our Great God And His Great Fish Jonah 1:17

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## Review from Last Week

***If your heart has wandered from the God you love....***

1. You, too, need to wake up and pay attention to His will. vv. 5-7
2. You, too, need to be found out if you're not doing His will. vv. 10,12
3. You, too, need to become a sacrifice for God's will. v. 15
4. You, too, need to recommit to His will—*not yours!*
5. God cares whether your heart says "yes" to His will.



**STUDY VERSE SECTION - Jonah 1:17, HCSB** -<sup>17</sup> [v. 17 is actually the first verse of the chapter in the Hebrew Bible] Now the LORD, יהוה the highest name for Holy God] had appointed מנהיח (pie-el) means to designate; specify; appoint, or ordain] a huge fish דג (dag- "fish" lit. of the sea) , גדול (ga-dol) "really big" to swallow [indicating an involuntary action or hostile act] Jonah, and Jonah was in the fish three days and three nights.

**Jonah 1:17, NLT** -<sup>17</sup> Now the LORD had arranged for a great fish to swallow Jonah. And Jonah was inside the fish for three days and three nights.

**Jonah 1:17, NKJV** -<sup>17</sup> Now the LORD had prepared a great fish to swallow Jonah. And Jonah was in the belly of the fish three days and three nights.

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## 1. God prepared a great fish for Jonah.

**Jonah 1:17, NKJV** -<sup>17</sup> Now the LORD had prepared a great fish to swallow Jonah. And Jonah was in the belly of the fish three days and three nights.

***This was a miracle of God's Sovereignty***

- Our God is omnipotent—*there is nothing He cannot do.*
- Our God is omniscient—*there is nothing He does not know.*
- Our God is omnipresent—*there is no place our God is not.*

*"In the book of Jonah, everything obeyed God but Jonah."*

- Alexander McClearan

## 2. God preserved Jonah in a great fish.

**Jonah 1:17, NASB95** -<sup>17</sup> And the LORD appointed a great fish to swallow Jonah, and Jonah was in the stomach of the fish three days and three nights.

## JONAH - Life Application Section

- A. In this one event, God shows His sovereignty.
- B. In this one event, God shows His persistence.
- C. In this one event, God shows His compassion.

In light of this, here's a question for you to ponder:

***Are you headed to Tarshish or Nineveh?***

*"If there are 1,000 steps between you and God, He will take 999 and leave the last one to you"*

- Max Lucado



**Our Great God cares when your heart says "yes" to His will!**