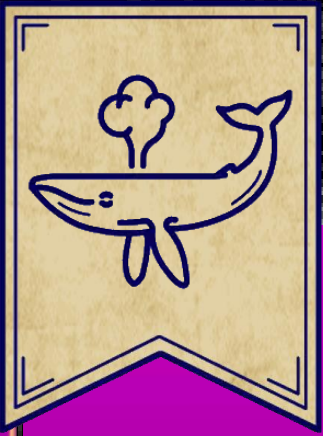


Messengers: Jonah

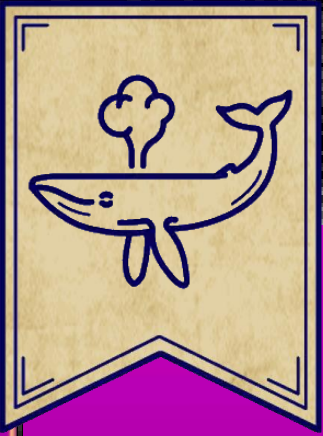




God gives us emotions as
gauge NOT a guide

NONE of us are forced to succumb to
our feelings, but we should STOP and
see what those feelings indicate





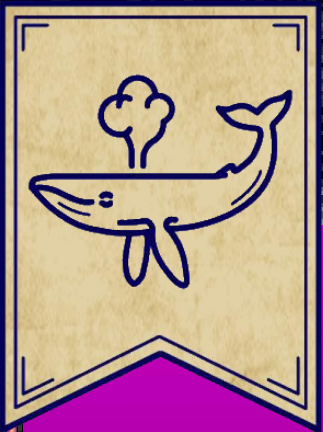
Jonah knew God's character
and when he fled to Tarshish,
he attempted to stand in the way
of God's mercy and grace

Jonah 1:1-16



Jonah: Afraid

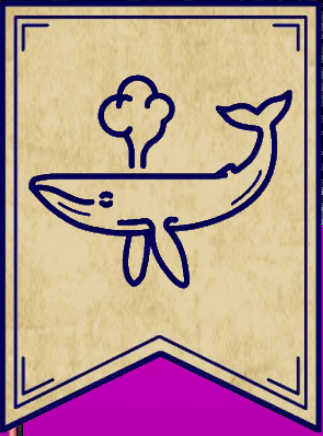




Jonah 1:1-3

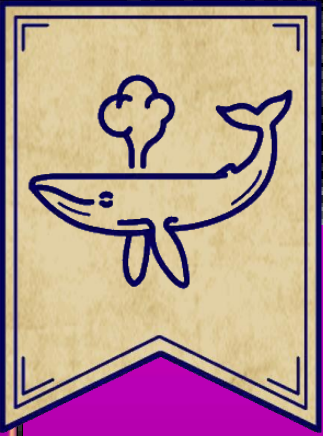
Jonah is believed to have been a prophet from the Northern Kingdom of Israel (who experienced firsthand the cruelty of Nineveh)





Sadly, as sin often does, the effects
of this choice spread to others

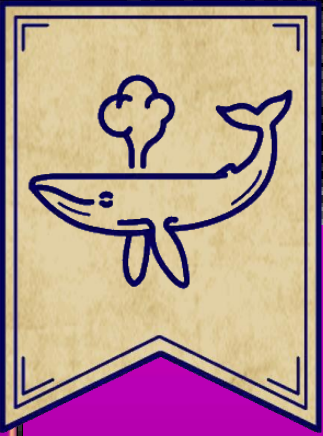




“Paid the fare” = gives the
impression that Jonah actually
purchased the entire ship

Jonah 1:4-5a

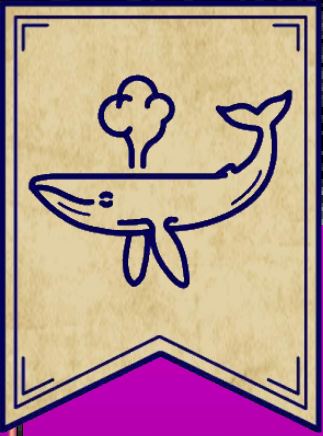




Almighty God is clearly the
One behind this storm surfacing –
(literally, the Hebrew says – “the boat
was determined to split apart”)

Jonah 1:5b-6

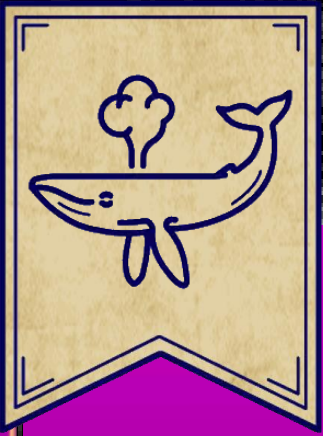




God was using this storm
to grab ahold of His runaway child
(NO one can escape God –
God relentlessly pursues us)

Jonah 1:7-9

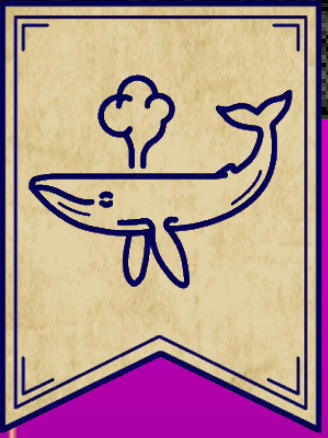




“Fear” = to be afraid,
to stand in awe, to revere

Fearing the Lord (revering Him
as One with NO equal) should
produce in us a behavior of
listening and following

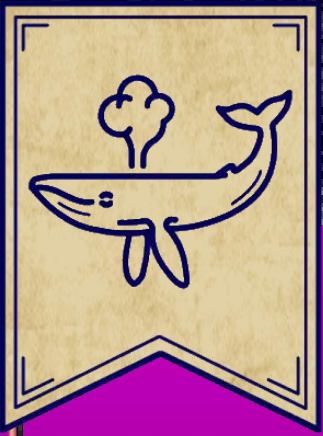




Jonah 1:10-14

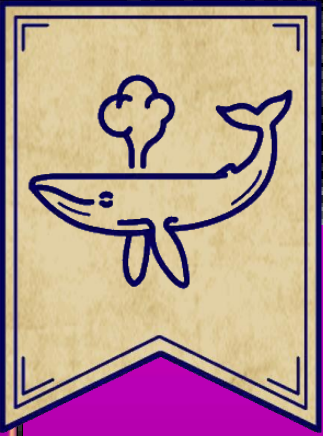
Jonah 1:15-17





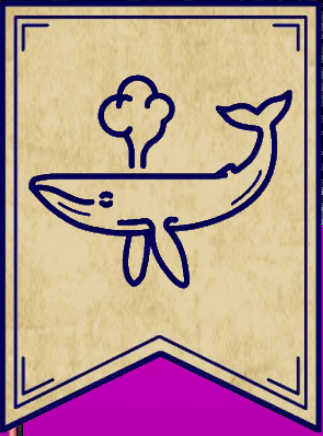
The only reason these sailors
were in this trouble was because of
Jonah running from God...
yet God used this to bring
these sailors to Himself





Sin **ALWAYS** takes you
further than you want to go
and it keeps you longer
than you want to stay





The **ONLY** correct response
to God's clear instruction
is immediate action

