

Jonah – A Type Of Christ

Book of Jonah

- Many think Jonah is fishy
- Integrity of Bible: includes book that depicts prophet negatively

I. Jonah: Unlikely Candidate For Type Of Christ

Jonah's life / work contrast with Lord's

1. Ran from duty, 1:3. Mt.26:46, 51-54
2. Believed / confessed truth, but disobeyed, 1:9. Hb.5:8
3. Did not still storm, 1:6-11. Mk.4:39
4. Endangered lives of others, 1:11.
Jn.10:10
5. Sailors did not want his blood on their hands, 1:14. Mt.27:25
6. Needed second chance to do the job, 3:1-2. Jn.17:4; 19:30

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9. Wanted mercy for himself (2:9), not other sinners, 4:1-2. Jonah . . .
 - Preferred death, not life of Nineveh
 - Hated people he came to save
 - Watched city, hoping for destruction

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10. Warned people he hated, 4:1-11. Jn.1:11
11. Preached bad news; Nineveh repented. Mt.28, good news

Perhaps the only prophet as bad as
Jonah: Balaam (Gentile)

NO type fully matches Jesus – He is
unique. 1 Pt.2:22; Jn.8:46

Jesus makes Jonah His 'type' – Mt.12;
Lk.11.

I. Jonah: Unlikely Candidate...Type Of Christ

II. Jonah, A Type Of Christ

Must avoid overstating case

Not every similarity is type-antitype

Analogies – **Both . . .**

1. Slept during storm at sea, 1:5; Mk.4
2. Awakened by passengers, 1:6; Mk.4
3. Saved others by self-sacrifice, 1:11-16; Jn.12; Mk.10:45
4. Preached to great cities, 3:3; Mt.11
5. Preached repentance, judgment, 3:4; Mt.12; 24
6. Saved believers, 3:5-10; Lk.19:10

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Mt.12:38-41 -

38: request: sign. Insult: Jn.3:2; 12:37

1. Blinded by sin, error.

2. Showed many signs. 1 Co.1

3. Walk by sight, not faith.

39: response: no sign except Jonah's

40: revelation: in heart of the earth

41: reversal: surprise ending at Jdgt.

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- Sailors see Jonah swallowed by fish
- Spectators see Jesus crucified...
 - 1 Co.15. Lk.24:18...31

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BOTH were in deep
(Mt.12:40) - hades
(Jonah 2:2-3, 6).
Jesus, Acts 2:27

BOTH were
miraculously
delivered, Jon.2:10.
Jesus, Ac.2:24