Jonah

- The unwilling prophet (748-772 BC)
- Jesus referred to him as real.
- Parable of Jesus' resurrection...
- Jonah and Jesus were signs
- He stayed near Nazareth
- Jonah = "dove"
- Spirit-anointed ministry led to one of greatest <u>revivals</u> in history!

God "prepared"

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a great fish (1:17)
a gourd (4:6)
a worm (4:7)
a strong east wind (4:8)
the people
the prophet!
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Jonah

- An **Obstinate Prophet** (ch 1-2)
- An Obedient People (ch 3-4)

Jonah

- Jonah's **Disobedience** (1)
- Jonah's Distress (2)
- Jonah's Discovery (3)
- Jonah's **Displeasure** (4)

Nineveh

- One of greatest cities of world
- Capital of Assyria
- Stronghold 30 x 10 miles
- Surrounded by 5 walls and 3 canals
- Walls 100 ft high
- Four chariots could ride ON wall!

Nineveh

- 15 gates (lions and bulls)
- Palaces and beautiful gardens
- 70 decorated halls
- Great pyramid temple in city
- Rich, powerful, intellectual greatness, ...and wicked!

Jonah - a Type of Israel

- Both called to world mission
- Both **refused** to obey mission
- Jonah cast into sea; Israel scattered over earth
- Both **preserved** miraculously
- Repented and was restored to former position
- Now obedient goes on mission; as Israel will become witness to world...
- Jonah blessed in conversion of Nineveh;
 Israel shall be blessed in conversion of world!

The book

- Reveals the grace of God
- To his prophet
- ...and to the gentiles!
- Reveals the Lord Jesus Christ as our Resurrection and Life!