

## FINALLY . . . JONAH CONNECTS THE DOTS

### Jonah 2:1–10

We wondered if it would ever happen. The reluctant prophet, Jonah, had “disconnected” from God! After hearing the Lord’s command and deliberately disobeying His commission to go to Nineveh, he went in the opposite direction and soon suffered the consequences. As a violent storm came close to destroying the sailing vessel bound for Tarshish, the sailors had no other choice but to throw the prophet overboard, which led to their finding relief as the sea instantly became calm. In the meantime, Jonah sank into the depths of the sea and was close to drowning—until the Lord graciously rescued him by sending a huge fish to swallow him and preserve his life. After realizing that his deliverance was made possible by the One he had disobeyed, he *finally* reconnected and called out to Him in prayer—from the strangest place imaginable!

#### I. Several Essentials Regarding Prayer

Introduction

#### II. “Then Jonah Prayed . . .”

Exposition

- Where was Jonah when he prayed? (v.1)
  
- What prompted Jonah to pray? (vv. 2–9)
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- How did God respond after Jonah prayed? (v.10)

#### III. When You Pray, Remember This

Application