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God's storms are not punishments but acts of grace, designed to redirect our course back to Him.

YET - Yet You have brought up my life from the pit, O Lord my God." — **Jonah 2:6**

Jonah 2:1-2 Then Jonah prayed to the Lord his God from the belly of the fish, 2 saying, "I called out to the Lord, out of my distress, and he answered me, out of the belly of Sheol I cried, and you heard my voice.

Faith is thanking God before the answer comes.

Jonah 2:3-6 For you cast me into the deep, into the heart of the seas, and the flood surrounded me; all your breakers and your waves passed over me. 4 Then I said, 'I am driven away from your sight; yet I shall again look upon your holy temple.' 5 The waters closed in over me to take my life; the deep surrounded me; weeds were wrapped about my head. 6 To the roots of the mountains I went down, to the land whose bars closed upon me forever. Yet you brought up my life from the pit, O Lord my God.

The Descent: You cast me into the deep, The flood surrounded me, All your waves passed over me, The deep surrounded me, Weeds were wrapped around my head, The land whose bars closed upon me forever.

YET — you brought up my life from the pit.

Jonah 2:7-9 When my life was fainting away, I remembered the Lord, and my prayer came to you, into your holy temple. 8 Those who pay regard to vain idols forsake their hope of steadfast love. 9 But I with the voice of thanksgiving will sacrifice to you; what I have vowed I will pay. Salvation belongs to the Lord!"

Hesed — Steadfast/Covenantal Love

"Those who pay regard to vain idols forsake their hope of steadfast love."

What idols cause you to forsake God's steadfast love?

Salvation belongs to the Lord!

YESHU'AH — the root behind the name Jesus. The Lord is salvation.

Jonah 2:10 And the Lord spoke to the fish, and it vomited Jonah out upon the dry land.

God's storms are not punishments. They're acts of grace, designed to redirect us back to Him.

God pursued Jonah before Jonah ever turned around.

Hebrews 4:16 "So let us come boldly to the throne of our gracious God. There we will receive his mercy, and we will find grace to help us when we need it most."

YET — He's in the resurrection business.