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Overboard Jonah Runs from God

Bible Verse

"Be merciful, just as your
Father also is merciful"
(Luke 6:36).



Safe Harbor

God's mercy is our safe harbor. Draw a picture of a safe harbor. Include a shore, a lighthouse, and a dock.



Read the verses. Complete each statement. Write the answer on the part of the harbor that it corresponds to.

- The Shore (1 John 2:25)—God has promised . . .
- The Lighthouse (John 14:6)—We can only come to God through . . .
- The Boat (Romans 10:17)—Faith in God comes by hearing . . .
- The Dock (Ephesians 1:13, 14)—God secures us in His mercy by sealing us with . . .

Write the name of a person you know who needs God's safe harbor of salvation. Write what you would say if you were explaining salvation to that person right now. _____

Knack for Navigating



Ships need special guides called pilots for navigating the complex waterways around a bay. Pilot your ship to the correct delivery location.

Begin at 73 Seagull Way. Sail west one nautical mile, then north 5 miles. Then steer east 2 miles. Your destination is on the north side. What is it?

Begin at 520 Walrus Way. Sail south 2 nautical miles, then west 8 miles. Then go north 3 miles. Steer east 2 miles; your destination is on the north side.

Play a game with a friend or family member. Take turns navigating. One player chooses a starting point and destination. He or she tells the starting point and gives directions. The other player must navigate to the destination.



God's Direction

While we are all different, each of us must follow God's directions. Unfortunately, we often choose to go our own way, like Jonah did.

Our Own Direction

Write about or draw a picture of what happened when Jonah followed his own direction.



Write down three things that the world tells us to do that go against the Bible.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

God's Direction

Write about or draw a picture of what Jonah should have done.

Along with showing mercy, God has given other directions.
Look up each verse and write down the direction each gives.

Romans 12:14 _____

Ephesians 4:32 _____

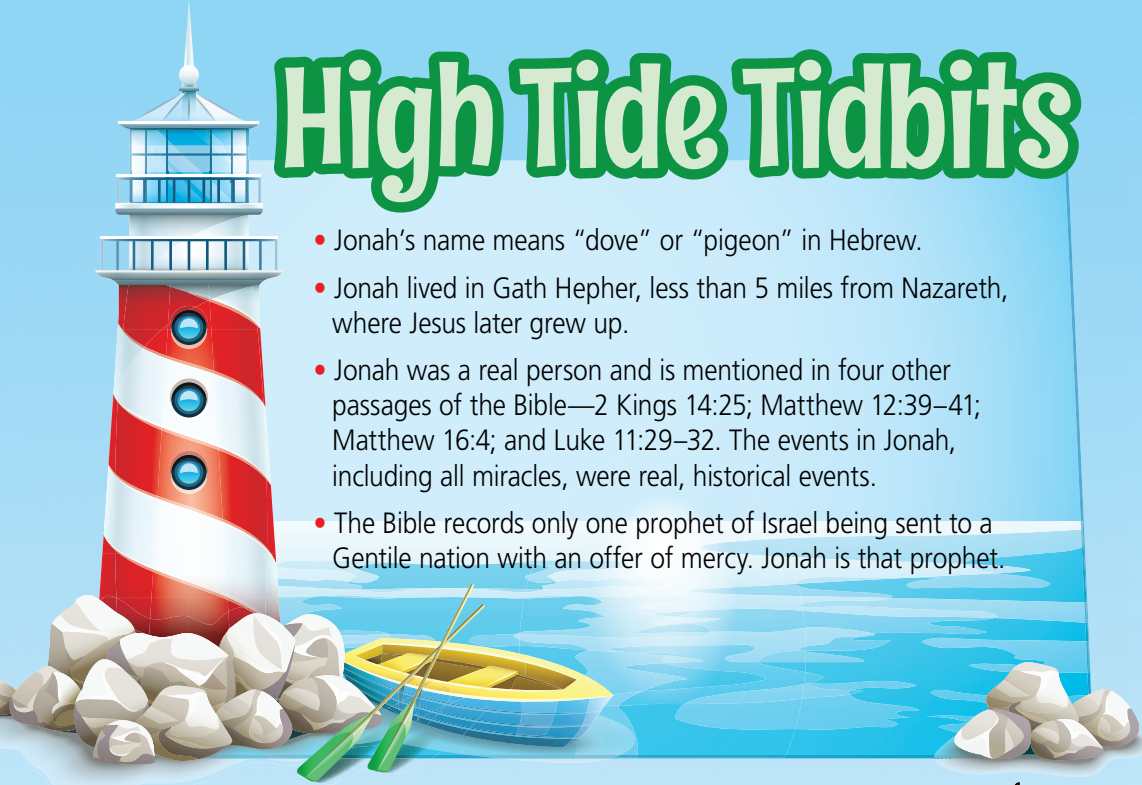
Philippians 2:3 _____

1 Thessalonians 5:11 _____



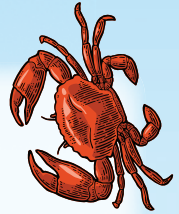
High Tide Tidbits

- Jonah's name means "dove" or "pigeon" in Hebrew.
- Jonah lived in Gath Hepher, less than 5 miles from Nazareth, where Jesus later grew up.
- Jonah was a real person and is mentioned in four other passages of the Bible—2 Kings 14:25; Matthew 12:39–41; Matthew 16:4; and Luke 11:29–32. The events in Jonah, including all miracles, were real, historical events.
- The Bible records only one prophet of Israel being sent to a Gentile nation with an offer of mercy. Jonah is that prophet.



Mercy for Me

Why did Jesus have to die on the cross?



Why did Jesus rise from the dead?

How can a person receive Christ's payment for sin and gain eternal life?



Answers: Safe Harbor: (1) Eternal life; (2) Jesus Christ; (3) The Word of God; (4) The Holy Spirit.
Knack for Navigating: (1) 399 Pelican Canal; (2) 12 Albatross Way.