

“THREE STORMS”

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Poll Question: Based on the state of the world in which we now live, is your faith in God:

- A. Struggling
- B. Stronger
- C. Both

Review from Sunday:

- Jonah, i.e., “dove”
- “Three Verbs”
- Jonah’s “BUT” got in the way

Spiritually speaking, what is a storm? A storm is a merciful measure from the Master to move you to your mission and propel you to your purpose.

There are Three Kinds of Storms:

1. Storms of Correction _____

2. Storms of Direction _____

3. Storms of Perfection _____

Jonah 1:4 – 15

4 But the LORD sent out a great wind on the sea, and there was a mighty tempest on the sea, so that the ship was about to be broken up. **5** Then the mariners were afraid; and every man cried out to his god, and threw the cargo that was in the ship into the sea, to lighten the load. But Jonah had gone down into the lowest parts of the ship, had lain down, and was fast asleep.

6 So the captain came to him, and said to him, “What do you mean, sleeper? Arise, call on your God; perhaps your God will consider us, so that we may not perish.” **7** And they said to

one another, “Come, let us cast lots, that we may know for whose cause this trouble has come upon us.” So they cast lots, and the lot fell on Jonah.

8 Then they said to him, “Please tell us! For whose cause is this trouble upon us? What is your occupation? And where do you come from? What is your country? And of what people are you?” **9** So he said to them, “I am a Hebrew; and I fear the LORD, the God of heaven, who made the sea and the dry land.”

10 Then the men were exceedingly afraid, and said to him, “Why have you done this?” For the men knew that he fled from the presence of the LORD, because he had told them.

11 Then they said to him, “What shall we do to you that the sea may be calm for us?”—for the sea was growing more tempestuous.

12 And he said to them, “Pick me up and throw me into the sea; then the sea will become calm for you. For I know that this great tempest is because of me.” **13** Nevertheless, the men rowed hard to return to land, but they could not, for the sea continued to grow more tempestuous against them.

14 Therefore, they cried out to the LORD and said, “We pray, O LORD, please do not let us perish for this man’s life, and do not charge us with innocent blood; for You, O LORD, have done as it pleased You.” **15** So they picked up Jonah and threw him into the sea, and the sea ceased from its raging.

Breakout Room Question: Can you share how God used **ONE** of these three storms (Correction, Direction, or Perfection) to change your life for the better?

See the Grace of God in Action: Even though Jonah was disobedient to God and had to go through a storm of correction, the favor of God was still on his life.

Jonah 1:16

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Conclusion: A storm is a merciful measure from the Master to move you to your mission and propel you to your purpose.