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2. What does Jonah mean? What does Amittai mean?
3. Where was Israel in relation to Nineveh and Tarshish?
4. How did the sailors think they could escape the storm? Where was Jonah at this time?
5. What New Testament incident is likened to this?
6. How did the casting of lots work? Where was it used in the scriptures?
7. Who did Jonah say he worshipped? Why were the sailors terrified?
8. What remedy did Jonah give for calming the storm? What did the sailors think of the remedy?
9. What responses did the sailors have?
10. Do you think they became followers of the one true God (Yahweh)?
11. How did God save Jonah?
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