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## THE PROPHETE JONAS

WITH AN INTRODUCTION BEFORE TEACHINGE TO

UNDERSTONDE HIM AND THE RIGHT USE

ALSO OF ALL THE SCRIPTURE,

Етс. Етс.

## BY WILLIAM TYNDALE.

REPRODUCED IN FACSIMILE.

TO WHICH IS ADDED

COVERDALE'S VERSION OF JONAH,

WITH AN INTRODUCTION BY

FRANCIS FRY FSA



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## INTRODUCTION.

ROM the lively interest which has ever been taken by English Protestants in the productions of William Tyndale, the discovery of a long lost work from his

pen must be regarded as of no little importance. It is therefore with pleasure that I present to the public, for the first time since the issue of the original edition, a version of one of the Prophets by this eminent man.

Tyndale, after the completion of his translation of the New Testament in the latter part of the year 1525, proceeded with the Pentateuch, which was printed in the year 1530. The only other portion of the Scriptures which he is known to have published, is this recently discovered version of the Prophet Jonah. It is generally admitted that, besides these published portions, Tyndale translated the Old Testament as far as the end of the second

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book of Chronicles: these books were first printed in the folio Bible, 1537, under the assumed name "Thomas Matthew," edited by John Rogers, to whom Tyndale is known to have given his manuscripts before his martyrdom in 1536.1

As no copy of the Jonah, nor any reprint or quotation from the text, had been known to exist until the present day, it was doubted by some whether Tyndale actually published a translation of this Prophet. A few notices of Tyndale's book of Jonah, which appeared at an early period, had given rife to the belief that it had been published, though nothing was certainly known on the subject. Thus Sir T. More fays, "Then have we Jonas made out by Tyndale/ a boke yt who so delyte therin shall stande in parell yt Jonas was neuer so swalowed uppe wyth the whale as by the delyte of that booke a mannes foule maye be fo fwalowed uppe by the deuyll, that he shall neuer have the grace to gett out agayne." 2 It is also mentioned in the List of Books denounced by Stokesly, Bishop of London, in a MS. in Lambeth Library. Anderson says-" The proof of the existence of Jonas, and upon English

mas More, knight, lorde chancellour of Englonde. Prentyd at London, by will. Raftell 1532." folio. Preface B-4 reverse,

<sup>1 &</sup>quot;Anderson's Annals of the English Bible," vol. i. p. 569. <sup>2</sup> "The cofutacyon of Tyndale's answere made by Sir Tho-

ground this year (1531), is to be found in the lift of books denounced by Stokesly, on the 3rd of December. It is the last on the list, 'Jonas in English,'-See Lambeth MS., No. 306, fol. 65."1 Fox, giving a list of Tyndale's Works, says, "Item a boke called the prophet Jonas teching to underfland the right use of scripture."2 The Prophet Jonah is also noticed in the list of Tyndale's Works by Bale.3 Burnet gives a document in his "Collection of Records," "The Names of Books Prohibited, delivered to the Curates, Anno 1542. to the intent that they shall present them with the Names of the Owners, to their Ordinary if they find any fuch within their Parishes." In the list is "The Book of Jonas in English." Ames places it after the year 1537, without a date, 8vo. 5

The prologue, preceded by the title, has come down to us in four editions of the Bible, and likewise in the collected works of Tyndale, by Daye.<sup>6</sup>

<sup>&</sup>quot; "Anderson's Annals," vol. i. p. 290.

<sup>2 &</sup>quot;Fox's Acts and Monuments," 1st edit. p. 573.

<sup>3 &</sup>quot;Prophetiam Jonæ," Scriptorum Illustrium, &c., Basle, folio, 1559, p. 659.

<sup>4 &</sup>quot;History of the Reformation," 4th edit. 1715, vol. i. A Collection of Records, p. 240.

<sup>&</sup>quot; Ames' Typographical Antiquities," p. 497.

<sup>6 &</sup>quot;The Whole Workes of W. Tyndall, John Frith, and Dock. Barnes, &c., London, John Daye, 1572." folia.

It first appeared in 1549, in the second edition of Matthew's version, printed by "Thomas Raynalde, and William Hyll," and "Edmunde Becke's" revision of Matthew's version, printed by "John Daye, and William Seres." In 1551 it was inserted in the Bible printed by "John Daye," and in the last edition of Matthew's version, by "Nicholas Hyll" and others.

It has also been reprinted in the following modern editions:—

"Writings of Tindal, Frith, and Barnes. Religious Tract Society," 12mo., no date.

"The works of W. Tyndale and J. Frith, edited by T. Ruffell, A.M." in 3 vols. 8vo., London, 1831.

"Doctrinal Treatises, by Tyndale. Edited for the Parker Society, by the Rev. Henry Walter," 8vo., Cambridge, 1848.

The "Prologue" in the first and second of these works appears to be taken from Daye's edition, 1573; and in the third chiefly from the same, but compared with some of the editions of the Bible. The marginal references were first introduced by Daye, in 1573.

Henry Cotton, LL.D., Archdeacon of Cashel, in his very valuable work, is of opinion that the Jonah had been published. Under the year 1531,

he gives "The Prophete Jonas; translated by W. T. (Tyndale); with a Prologue or Introduction. No copy certainly known to be in existence at present. 8vo.:" and in a note is added, "the book has fo completely disappeared, that I am not aware of a single copy remaining at this day." "From its total disappearance, some writers have imagined that the Prologue alone was put into print by Tyndale. But I think it is beyond all doubt that the text was also printed." Dr. Cotton also states that "Bishop Tanner, in his 'Bibliotheca,' p. 403, mentions 'Prologus in Jonam cum Jona impress. seorsum in partibus transmarinis. 120, " "Mr. George Coningsby, who upwards of a century ago presented his fine collection of ancient Bibles to Baliol College, Oxford, affirmed that he actually possessed a copy." 1 The copy alluded to is not known to exist. Anderson a had no doubt that Jonah had been printed, but he argues from the evidence afforded by the Title and Prologue. Undoubtedly Tyndale intended that the translation should follow the Prologue. I can find no other notices relative to the publication of the Prophet Jonah.

On the other hand it appears certain that Tyn-

<sup>1 &</sup>quot; Cotton. Editions of the Bible in Eng. 2nd ed. 1852, p. 5."

<sup>2 &</sup>quot; Anderson's Annals," vol. i. p. 289.

dale's Jonah was but little known even in 1537: for the first edition of Matthew's version does not contain his translation, but that of Coverdale, word for word, as in the solio Bible of 1535.

It is not probable that Rogers would have rejected Tyndale's version of Jonah, if he was aware of its existence, and could have obtained a copy; it is possible that, as Rogers was superintending the printing of the Bible on the Continent, he could not procure a copy for his purpose.

It may be interesting to some readers to compare these two versions: with this view a facsimile copy of Jonah from the first edition of Coverdale's version is appended. There are about one hundred variations between the two versions. It has been generally supposed that John Rogers, the editor of Matthew's Bible, had received from Tyndale, before his martyrdom, all that he had translated of the Scriptures, and would therefore have inferted in that Bible as much of the text as Tyndale had completed. Professor Walter, who edited Tyndale's Doctrinal Works for the Parker Society, inferred that, as his version of the Prophet Jonah is not in that Bible, Tyndale could not have translated it. He held this view so strongly, that after giving some arguments on the subject, he concludes that the editors of Matthew's Bible would not "have preferred

reprinting Coverdale's translation of Jonah, if there had been a translation of that Prophet published by Tyndale, and well known to all persons interested in such subjects, as the Prologue to Jonah certainly was." The discovery, however, of a copy of it by Lord Arthur Hervey, M.A., Archdeacon of Sudbury, bound with other tracts in a volume, has dispelled all doubts on the subject.

In this copy which now lies before me—there is neither date, nor place, nor the name of the printer. The type is the same as that used by Martin Lempereur in the Bible in French, Antwerp, 1530, folio. In this Bible we find all the same type as in the Jonah, except the small capitals which begin the chapters. The time when this type was in use agrees with that when the Jonah was probably We know that William Tyndale frequently refided in Antwerp; and that he was in that city in April, 1531, is proved by Vaughan's Letter to Henry VIII; 1 and that Tyndale occasionally employed Lempereur as his printer, fince his Testament of 1534 bears his imprint. Many editions of the Bible and Testament issued from his press; and as he was no doubt well known to Tyndale, he was perhaps the most likely person to have

<sup>1 &</sup>quot; Anderson's Annals," vol. i. p. 289.

undertaken the work. We see that Stokesly's MS. is dated December, 1531, and that Sir T. More's Consultation was printed in 1532. May we not therefore very considently conclude that Tyndale's Translation of Jonah was printed by Martin Lempereur, in Antwerp, in the year 1530 or 1531?

The discovery of a copy of this work must be regarded with great fatisfaction. Lord Arthur Hervey, in the autumn of 1861, had the happiness to find that he possessed it in his Library at Ickworth. I quote his Lordship's own words as follows, from a letter to the Editor of the "Bury Post," afterwards inferted in the "Athenæum." 1 "This volume came into my possession above thirty years ago. When my Father moved with his family from this house to his new one, after the great bulk of the library had been moved, there remained fome fixty or feventy volumes, chiefly old books of divinity, these he gave to me. Among them was the book above described. It has written on the first page the name Tho. Hervey; and again, Tho. and Isabella Hervey, and Will. Hervey; whether William means Sir Thomas's Father, or his Brother, the subject of Cowley's Ode, I cannot fay. When I was preparing a lecture on the "Dissolution of Monasteries," for

<sup>1</sup> Athenæum, Feb. 8, 1862.

delivery at the Athenæum, (at Bury St. Edmunds,) in October last, it occurred to me to look among these old books for anything which might bear upon my subject; and I stumbled upon this volume." It contains the Tracts mentioned below:

- 1 " 1. A Treatyse concernynge impropriations of benefyces. No title-page, and no date; but making mention of 'our most virtuouse quene Anne, and princesse Elizebeth,' and therefore printed between 1533 and 1536. At the end is this notice: 'Printed at London, by Thos. Godfray; cum privilegio regali.' Black letter.
- "2. The Foundacyon of Christendom. Title-page torn out; fol. xcii; no date, no printer's name. In Roman type.
- "3. That pictures nor images ought to be worshipped. Titlepage torn out; superscribed, 'All the whole company of them which at Argentoratum do preche and teache Christ, unto the good and godly readers do wyssin grace.' Subscribed, 'Printed for W. Marshall, with the kynges moost gratiouse privylege.' Black letter.
- "4. The praier and complaynte of the ploweman unto Christ: written not longe after the yere of oure Lorde a thousande and thre hundred' with preface, dated 'the last daye of February, anno 1531;' and glossary of obsolete words. Black letter.
- "5. A proper dyaloge between a Gentillman and a husbandman, &c.; in verse, with 'an olde treatyse made aboute the tyme of kynge Rycharde the seconde.' Inserted in the midst of it, and followed by 'A compendious olde treatyse shewynge howe that we ought to have the scripture in Englyshe; 'wrytten aboute the yere of oure lorde a thousande source hundryd." Emprented at Marborow in the lande of Hessen/by me Hans Lust/ in the

The following additional information has very obligingly been fent to me for infertion by the Marquis of Bristol; which proves that this interesting volume had been in the possession of his Lordship's ancestors from an early period.

"This Thomas was the Father of John, First Hervey Earl of Bristol, and his wife was Isabella, daughter of Sir Humphrey May; his Father was Sir William Hervey of Ickworth, born 1585, died 1660. His Brother William was born in 1618, and died at Cambridge in 1642. Several of the Books now in the Library at Ickworth, unquestion-

yere of oure lorde mccccc and xxx.' A peculiar type, like engroffing or German hand.

- "6. The Testament of Master William Tracie, Esq., expounded both by William Tyndall and John Frith, &c. Black letter; m.d. xxxv.
- "7. An comfortable exhortation of our emoste holy Christen faith, &c., unto the Christen bretherne in Scotland. Type similar to 5; imperfect. 'At Parishe; m.d. xxxv.;' and on the last leaf, 'At Parishe, by me, Peter Congeth; A. M.D. xxxv., xx Januarii.'
- "8. THE PROPHETE JONAS, with an introduction before, &c. The prologue is headed, 'W. T. unto the Christen reader.' The translation of Jonah is headed, 'The storie of the prophete Jonas.' Black letter.
- "9. The Letters which Johan Astraull, Sc., sent secretly to the Bishope of Lyncolne in the years of our lord M.D. xxvii., Sc., with the answer of the sayed George (Joye). Black letter; imperfect."—Athenaum, Feb. 8, 1862.

ably belonged to Sir William. In a copy of Camden's Britannia, edit. 1610, is the fignature of William Hervye or Hervy, apparently by the same hand as that in this volume, with the year 1634, entered as that in which the purchase was made for 40s. and when William the Son would have been only fixteen years of age."

Having just finished a reproduction in facsimile of Tyndale's First Testament from the only known complete copy (in the Baptist College, Bristol), I thought it would be desirable that the Jonah should be published in the same way; and on making the suggestion to Lord Arthur Hervey, his lordship, with the utmost kindness and courtesy, placed the volume in my hands for the purpose; and I now offer it to the public in the same style as Tyndale's New Testament, of 1525 or 1526. It has been made by taking a tracing on transfer paper, placing this on lithographic stones, and then printing it in the usual way; a method evidently calculated to insure the closest correspondence with the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The First New Testament printed in the English language, (1525 or 1526). Translated by William Tyndale; reproduced in facsimile, with an Introduction by F. Fry, F.S.A. *Bristol*; printed for the Editor, 1862.

This copy is printed on the same paper as that used for the Testament, and was made to imitate the original.

original. To test the correctness of the work, I have compared a proof of every page, folding it so as to place each line parallel with, and close to, the same line in the original; so that by comparing the line all along, I could easily see that it was correct. In this way I have examined every line throughout the volume, and I believe not a single incorrect letter will be found therein. A few copies are printed on vellum and some on old paper.

I have compared the Prologue in the original, with that which is found in the four editions of the Bible already mentioned, and with the Prologue in Tyndale's Works, by Daye, 1573. Not one of these is correctly reprinted from the original; they also differ from each other; some words being added, fome a little altered, and others omitted. The Prologue in Raynalde and Hyll has thirteen variations; that in Daye and Seres, twenty-four; in Hyll, thirty-three; in Daye's Bible, forty-fix; and Daye's Works of Tyndale, forty variations. There are ten variations repeated in four editions, seven in three editions, and ten in two editions; the fact that there are fifty-nine variations in the previous editions corrected in the last edition of 1573, would lead us to think that John Daye might have had an original copy, nevertheless fourteen variations occurring in one or more of the previous

editions are repeated. In Raynalde and Hyll only, this passage is omitted in the last page, "and unto God our father throw him;" and three other lines are omitted in all the other four editions. I examined these differences to see if any edition had been followed by a subsequent editor.

The volume of tracts alluded to contains "A proper dyaloge betwene a Gentillman and a husbandman eche complaynynge to other their miserable calamite through the ambicion of clergye" with "A compendious olde treatyse shewynge howe that we ought to have the scripture in Englyshe;"1 " wrytten aboute the yere of oure lorde a thousande foure hundryd;" "Emprented at Marborow in the lande of Hessen/ by me Hans Luft / in the yere of oure lorde, M.ccccc. and xxx." (No. 5 in the Lift.) I have not found any information respecting the author or editor. As no other copy of it is known, I have published a reproduction in facfimile in the fame manner as this edition of Jonah, preceded by a brief Introduction, to which

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A proper dyaloge betwene a Gentillman and a husbandman eche complaynynge to other their miserable calamite through the ambicion of clergye.—With A compendious olde treatyse shewenge howe that we ought to have the scripture in Englysshe. Reproduced in facsimile with an Introduction by Francis Fry, 1863. Willis and Sotheran, London. Lasbury, Bristol.

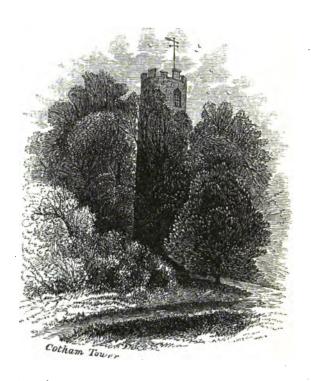
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I refer the reader for a more particular account of these two articles.

FRANCIS FRY.

Cotham, Bristol, 1863.

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# The prophete

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w. T. By to the Chriften reader.

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EUnd whe they come to the Gofpell/there they migle their leuen a fage/ God now receaueth be no moare to mercie/but of

mercie receaueth de to penaunce/that is to wete/holy dedes y make them fatt belies a de their captines / both in soule and body. Und pet they fayne theyr Hoole y Pope so mercifull/ y if thou make a fitle money glister in his valams epes/there is nether pe naunce ner purgatory ner any fastige at all but to see to heven as sweste as a thought

and at the twinkellynge of an eye.

TAnd the lines flories and geftes of men which are cotapned in the bible they reade as thiges no moare pertepnige In to the/ then a take of Robl bode, it as thiges they wott not wherto they ferue / saue to fayne fulle discate inglinge allegories/to stablish their kingdome with all. And one of chefest a fleshtieft studie thep have/is to magnifie y saputes about measure a about o trueth a with their poetrie to make them greater then ever Bod make them. And if they fin de any infirmite or spine afferibed on to \$ saintes/that they excuse with all diligece/ diminuffige the glorie of o mercie of God a robbinge weetched sumers of all thepred foite/f thinke therby to flater the faputes A.iii.

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les in Vertue / a not tomake fatisfaction to Bob ward for fonne vie oncepafte. Candallother stories of \$ bible with out excepcio, are practifinge of flaw a of the Bofpell / and are true and faitfull enfams ples a fure emeste & God willeven so deale with Bolas hedid with the lin all infirmi ties/in all temptacids / a in all like cafes a chaunces. Wherin pe fe on o one fpde/how fatherly a tendirly a with all copassion god entreateth his electe which submitte them felues as scolers , to lerne to walke in the wapes of his lawes / a to kepe the of loue. If they forgatt the selves at a time a wet aftrape/he sought the out a fett the agapne with all mercie. If they fell a Burte the selves , he healed the agapne with all com passion a tendernesse of hert. He hath ofte brought greate tribulation a advertite Bp= pon his electe: But all offatherly love only/ to teach the a to make them se theirawne hertes a f sinner there lave his/that they might aftirwarde feale his mercie. Hoz his mercie wayted Topon the / to rid them out agapne/affoneas they ware lerned a come

to o knowlege of their awne hertes: fo that be neuer castman awaye how depe so euer he had finned / faue the olp which had first caft p pocke of his lawes fro their neckes/ with Otter diffiaunce a malice of herte. Which ensamples how cofortable are thep for 88/ whe we be fallen in to finne a God is come Bppd Be with a storge/y we dispeare not / But repet with full hope of mercie after y en famples of mercie y are gone befo re. And therfore they were written for our lernige/as testifieth Paul Ro.p 8. to cofo2 te 88/5 we might & Better put oure hope a trust in Bod/whe we set how mercifull he hath benein tymes past dy to our weake brethern y are gone before in all theyr ad . uersities/neade/ temptacids/ pe a horrible fynnes in to which they now a then fell. CAnd on pother side pe se how they phar

dened their hertes a synned of malice a refused mercie y was offered the a had no po wer to repet, perished at y later ende with association a shame mercilessely. Which ensamples are very good a necessary to ke pe Vs in awe a dreade in tyme of prosperite

as thou mailt le by Daulj. Loz. p. that we abyde in the feare of God a wap not wild and fall to Vanities ad so sprine ad prouoke God and bringe wrath Uppon Vs.

LAnd theidly pe se in that practise / how as god is mercifult a longefoferpnge/ euen so were all his true prophetes a prechers/ Beringe the infirmities of their weake brethern a theirawne wadges q imiuries with all pacièce a longesoferinge/neuer castinge any of the of their Backes/In toll they fon ned agenst & Bolpgost/maliciously persecu tinge o open a manifest troutbicotrary On to the ensample of & Dope / which in sinnin ge agenst God & to quench of trueth of his Boly spirite/ is ever chefecaptapne and tro petblower/to sett other awerke/ ad seketh only his awne fredome/ liberte/privilege/ welth/prosperite/prosite/pleasure/pasty= me/honoure a glorie/with o bondage/thr= aldome/captinite/miserie/weetchednesse a vilesubjectio of his brethern; a in his awne cause is so feruent so steffe a cruell that he willnotsofte one word spoken agenst his falsemagiste/wilp invencios adjuglynge

ppocrifie to be Unadueged / though all their flendome full de fett to gether by the ear reseand full cost he cared not how many

hundzed thousande their lives.

Dw y thou may ft reade Jonas frute fully a not as a poetis fable. But as an obligato betwene God and the foule/ as an ernift peny geuen o of Bod / he wil Belpe o in time of nede/if thou turne to him ad as the word of god ponly fode ad life of thy foulesthis marke a note. Hirft count Honas the frend of god ad a manchofen of god to testifies is name by to p worlderbut pet a pounge scolar/weake a rude / after & facid of pappostles/while Christ was pet with them bodph. Which though Chaift taught the euer to be meke f to Vmble the felues/pet oft stroue amonge them felues who Buld begreatest. The sonnes of Ze bede wold sitt/the one on the right hode of Christ ad the other on plifte. They wold prape/that fire might descede from heuen/ and confume the Samaritanes.

■ 19 he Chift aped who sape men that H am / Peter answered / thou arte the some

of the spuinge God/as though Peter had bene as perfecte as an angell. But immediatly after/when Christ preached by to the offis deeth a passid Peter was angre a rebuked Christe a thought ernestly he had raved a not wist what he sayde: as at a nother time/when Christ was so fervetly busied in healinge heepple/he had no legser to eate/they went out to holde him/supposinge that he had bene before him selfe. Unde one healinge here be wayted not on them/o glorious were they pet.

L'And though christ taughte all wape to forgeue / pet peter after longe goenge to so le aped wether men shuld forgeue. vij. tps mes / thynkinge y. vij. tpmes had bene to moch. And at y last soper Peter wold have died with christe but pet within sewe how res after / he denied hom / both cowardly a shamefully. And after y same maner/though he had so loge herd that noma might avenge him selse but rather turne y other cheke to / then to simpte agapne / yet when L'hrist was in takinge / peter aped whether

The Prologe. it were lawfull to snipte with & swerde ad taried none answere / But laped on rashly. So that though when we come first Bn to h knowlege of the trueth and the peace is madebetwene Boda Bola we loue his lawes a Beleue a trustin hom / as in oure father a have good Bertes By to him a be born anew in f fprite: pet we are But childern ad pounge scolars weake a foble a must have leyfar to grow in o spirite/in knowlege/ le ue a in p dedes therof/as younge childern must have tome to grow in their bodies. Tand God oure father a scolemaster fedeth Bo a teached Bo accordinge By to the cavacite of oure stomakes/a maketh Be to grow a wape perfecte/a fineth Bo a trieth B6 as gold/in o fire of temptacids a tribu lations. As Moses wittneseth Deutero. Biij. fapege: Remeber all ø wape by which \$ load thy God caried \$ this.pl. peres in \$ wildernesse to Brible the a to tepte 02 p20 ue the/pit might be knowen what were in thine Bert. He Grougt the in to adversited made of an hongred of then feed of with ma which nether thou ner pet thi fathers ever

knew of/to teach o that a ma linett) no top bzed only/but by all that proceadeth out of the mouth of God. Hoz & promises of god are life by to all y cleave by to the / moch moare the is bred a bodyly fustinaunce: as s iourney of s childern of Afraelout of egp pte in to y londe promised them ministreth the notable ensamples & paboundatly 105 doethall o rest of the bible also. How beit/ it is impossible for flesh to beteue a to trust in & trueth of gods promises. Untyllhe ha ue lerned it in moch tribulacion/after that **Bod hath delivered hi out therof agapne.** L Bod therfore to teach Honas a to shew Bim his awne hert a to make him perfecte a to enstructe de alsobi his ensample/sent him out of flande of Afrael where he was a prophete/to goo amonge o heathe people a to pareatest a mightiest citie of p world the/called Miniue: to preaches within.pl. dapes they shuld all perish for their sinnes a that pritie shuld be ouerth20we. Which message of frewilos Jonas had as moch po wer to doo/as the weakest herted womain the world hath power/if the werecomaun

The Woloate. ded to teppe in to a tobbe of spuinge snakes g edders: as Bappely if Bod had comaunded Sara to have facrificed hir sonne Afaac/as he did Abraha/he wold have disputed with fiver se had done it / 02 though Me were ftroge phough / yet many an holp feint coud not haue sound in their hertes/ But wold have disobeyed ad have runne as wape fro prefens of & comaudemet of god wifonas if thei had bene so strogly tepted. I forfonas thought of this maner: loo/A ans here a prophete By to Bode people the Hemelites. Which though they have gods word testified In to them daply pet dispice it a worthepe Bod Inder o likenesse of cal ues a after all maner facions faue after his awne worde / a therfore are of all nacids p worft a most worthy of punishment. And pet god for loue of few y areamonge them a foz his names fake spareth them a defen deth them. How the fould god take fo crueff Bengeaunce on fo greate amultitude of them to whome his name was never preas ched to ad therfoze are not o tenth parte fo euel asthefer. If B Ihal therfore goo preach

fo Mall I fre a shame my selfe a Bod ther to and make them the moare to dispice god and sett the lessely him ad to be the moare

cruell by to his people.

**E**And Sppon that imaginacid he fled fed the face or present of God: that is sout of b contre where God was worsheped in a fro profecutynge of Bods comaundemet and thought/ A woll gett me a nother wave a= monge o hethen people q be no moare a pro phete/but ique at rest q out of all cobraunce. Never o leffe the god of all mercie which careth for his electechildern a turneth all By to good to them a smiteth the to heale them agapne a killeth the to make the ali ueagapne/a playeth with the (as a father doth some tyme with his pouge ignozaunt childern)a tempteth them a proueth them to make them fe theyr a wne hertes/prouis ded for Honas/how all thinge [buld be.

TWhen Honas was entered in to the shep pe / he laped him downe to slepe ad to take his rest: that is / his coscience was to sed be twene the comaudement of Bod which sent him to summer a his slessly wis domethat

disfuaded a counseled pm & cotrary a at & last prenaled agest & comaundemet a caris ed hym a nother wape/as a sheppe caught Betwene.ij. streames/a as poetes faine the mother of Meliager to be betweened were affeccide/ while to aduege hir brothere des eth/fhe fought to stehir awme sonne. Whe re Bopon for Very papne a tediousnesse fe lape downe to slepe/for to put f comaunde ment which fo gnew a freate his edfcience/ out of minde / as p nature of all weked is/ whether have sinned a good to seke al m= eanes with riot/reuella pastome/ to daine fremenbraunce of spine out of their thous ghtes or as Ada did/to couertheir naked= nesse with apoins of pope holy workes? But Godawoke fipm out of his dreame! and sett his sprines befoze his face.

E for when hat had caught Jonas/the be sure h his spines came to remediaunce agapne a that his conscience taged no lesse the h waves of the se. And the hethought that he only was a sinner a h hethen that wave in h spep none in respecte of him/ad thought also as veryly as he was sled fro

god/thatas Verily god had cast hiawape: for \$ sight of \$ rod maketh \$ natural child not dep to sea to know lege his saulte / but also to forgett all his sathers ordernercie a kindnesse. And then herdsesses his symme openly a had yet sever perish alone the \$ \$ other shuld have perished with him for his sake: and so of Very desperation to have sized any lenger. Bad cast him in to \$ see bestymes excepte they wold be softatso.

To speake of lottes / how ferforth they are lawfull is a light questid. Hirst to he the for the breakinge of strife is when par tenare, their goodes as equally divided as they catake every ma his parte by lott to avoyde all suspició of discept sunesse they appostes in phirst of y Actes, whe they sought another to succede Judas the tray-lought another to succede Judas the tray-toure (i.i.) persones were presentes / the to breake strife a to satisfical parties / didcast lottes / wheter shild be admitted / desiryn gegod to teper the a to take who he knew most mete / seynge they wist not wheter to preserve or haply coude not all agre on ets her / 18 sawfull ad in all like cases. But to

abuse them on to y temptinge of God z to copell him therwith to veter thinges where rof we food in doute/when we have no com maundemet of him so to do/ as these bethe here dyd / though God turned it on to his

glozie/ can not be but evell.

T The hethen seepme associated at hight off miracle/seared God/prayed to him/of sered sacrifice a vowed vowes. And Houte not/but that some of the or haply all came therby by to the true knowlege a true worshepinge of God a ware wone to God in theyr soules. And the God which is infinite mercifullin all his wayes / wrought their soules health out of his infirmite of Honas/euen of his good will a purpose a love wherewith he soued them before the world was made/a not of chaunce/as it appereth by to the eyes of the ignoraunt.

L'And that Jonas was iii.dapes (liii.nisghtes in the belp of his fift: we can ot ther by proue by to te Jewes (liideles or by to any man of Christmust therfore dread be buried a rise agapue. But we Be & ensample ad tikenesse of trength the saith of the B.ii.

weake. Hor he that beleaueth the one can not doute in y other: in as moch as the had of Bod was no lessemightiein presoruige Jonas aline agenst all naturall possibilite a in deliverynge bi fafe out of his fift / the in repsonge Spp Chust agapneout of his sepulchee. And we mave describe o power a Vertue of & refurrecció therby/as Christ Bi felfe bozoweth & similitude thertoMat. vij. sapege In to & Hewes that cameabous tehim coespreda signeoza woder frohe uen to certifye the that he was chift: this euell a wedlockebreakige nacid (which the ake p wedlocke of faith wherwith they be maried By to Bod ad Beleuein their false workes)sekea signe/but there shal no signe be geuen the faue of figne of the Prophe= tefonas. Hozas Jonas was.iij.dapes ad iij.nightes in thevely of the whale i eue fo Mallthe some of man he.in.dapep a.in.np ghtes in the herte of the erth. Which was a watch word as we saye (a sharpe threateninge By to & Hewes a as moch to fape as thus/peharde herted Hewes fekea fig= ne: loo/thye [halbe poure [pgne/as Honas

was repsed out of the sepulchee of his fishe a they fent vy to the Miniuites to preach & they fluid periff seven so shall I ryse agap ne out of my fepulchze & come & preach repentaunce din to pou. Se therfore when pe se figne that pe repetor else pe shal suer ly periff anot escape. Hoz though the infirmi ties which penow fei mp flesh be a lett Vn to poure farthes / pe (hall pet then be with out epruse/whenpe se sogreate a miracle a so greate power of god sked out Bppd you. And fo Chaifte came agapneafter o refurrecció / in his spirite a preached repetaunce In to them by the mouth of his apposites a disciples /a with miracles of & Boly gost. And all that repented not perished shortly after ad were for of most parte slayne with swerde ad frest caried awaye captive in to all quarters of the world for an enfample/ as pe se In to this dape.

L'And in liphe maner sens the world be ganne / where sower repentaunce was of fered and not receaued / there God toke cruell bengeaunce immediatly: as ye sein b soud of Roesin the overthrowege of Dodd

**B**.iij.

a Bomoz a all the contre aboute: a as ye se of Egipte/of the Amorites / Cananites a afterwarde of the Bery Hraelites / a then at the last of the Jewes to/ ad of the Associates and Babyloniens and so thorout all the imperes of the world.

ÉGyldas preached repetaunce on to o ol de Szitapnes that inhabited englod: they repented not/a therfore God fent in theyr enimies bppo the on every fide a destroyed the opp a gave the lod by to other nacios And greate Bengeaunce hath bene take in that lande for spnne sens that tyme.

E Wicleffe preached repetaunce on to oure fathers not longe sensither repeted not
for their hertes were inducat a there eres
blinded with their awne Pope holy rights
we such experient the receauing e agapne
of hweked spirite that bringeth, ui, worse
then hym selfe with him a maketh h later
ende worse then the beginninger for in open
sinnes there is hope of repentaunce/but in
holy procrise none at all. But what folowed they sew their true a right kinge ad

fett Hpp.iy.w2dge kiges arow/Inder whe ich all the noble bloud was flavne Hpp Ad halfe the comes therto/what in fraunce a what with their awne swerde/in sightige amonge the felues for a crowne/ a scities and townes decayed and the land brought halfe in to a wyldernesse in respecte of that it was before.

Mand now A haift to preach repetaunce/
is wein pet decagaphe out of his sepulchre
in which the pope had buried him and keptehim downe with his pilars and polares
and all disapsinges of procrisse, with gple/
wiles and falshed/ ad with the swerd of al
princes which he had bepnded with his fal
se marchaundice. And as Howe not of h
ensamples that are past/so and fure that
greate wrath will solow/excepte repetaun

ceturne it backe agapne and cease it.

Dussen Jonas had bene in te sisses bety a space a the rage of his conscience was somewhat quieted ad swaged and he come to him selfe agapne and had receased a syste hope, the qualmes a panges of desperació which went ouer has hert, hase ouerco-

me/he praped / as he maketh mencio in the tepte fapege: Jonas praped on to the lord his god out of the bely of the fifte. But the wordes of that praper are not here feet.

The praper of here stonde thin the texteries the praper of prapse a thakes geuege which he praped and wrote when he was escaped

and past all icopardie.

lacktriangle lacktriangle lacktriangle lacktriangle lacktriangle lacktriangle lacktriangle lacktriangle lacktriangle lacktrianglewill facrifice with the vopce of thankefgeuenge and pape that H have Bowed / that sauinge cometh of the lorde. Hor Verely to tdfesse out of the herte/that allbenesites to me of God/even out of the goodnesse of his mercieand not deservinge of oure dedes / is the only sacrifice that pleaseth God. Und to believe that god only is the faver / is the thonge that all the Jewes Bowed in they: circumcision/as wein oure baptim. Which Bowe Jonas now tawght with experience/ promifeth to pape. Hor those outwarde sa-crifices of bestee . On to which Honas had hapep afferised to moch before were but fe ble a childish thinges a not ordepned, that the workes of the selves shuld be a service

Histogod/But In to the people/ to put the in remembraume of this inwarde facrifice of thankes a of faith to trust and beleue in Bod the onth sauer. Which significacion when was awape/they were abhominasteand deuesty shy polatrye and imageseruice as our ecremonies and sacramentes are become now to all that trust a beleue in the werke of them and ar not taught the significacions / to edifye theyr soules with knowlege and the doctrine of God.

Twhen Jonas was cast bppd sond agap ne then his will was fre ad had power to goo whother God sent him a to doo what God bade his awne imaginacions layed a parte. For he had bene at a new scole pe ad in a sornace where he was purged of moch resule a droshe of fleshly wisdome which resisted his misdome of god a led Jonases wil warry In to hwill of god. For as serve as we be blyndin Adam, we can not but seke a will oure awne profitt, pleasure a glorie. And as serre as we be taughte in the sprite, we can not but seke a wystthe pleasure and glorie of God only.

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Ind as for the lift dapes tourney of Mini ue/whether it were in length or to goo rounde aboute it or thorowall the stretes / f cd mitte In to the discrected of other men. But I thinke that it was then the greatest citie of the world.

L'And that Jonas weta dapes sourney in the citie/I suppose hed wit not in one dape: but wet fapre a easiest preachige here a ser mon a there a nother a rebuked the spine of the people for which they must perishe.

Of the people of which they must pertipe.

Of Alnd when thou art come on to the repetaunce of the Principles / there has thou sure emessed that how soever angre god be/pethe remembreth mercie on to all that truly repent and beseue in mercie. Which ensames our favioure Christ also casteth in the teeth of the indurat sewes saying the Riniutes shall rise in indogenet with this nacion and condemne them, for they repented at the preachings of sonas/and beholde a greater the sonas here/meanings of symselse. It whose preachings yet / though it were never so mightie to perce the herte/sor all his miracles thereofthe hard herte/sor all his miracles thereofthere hard herte/sor all his miracles thereofthered.

Jewes coude not repent: when the heathen himiuites repented at the bare preachinge of Jonas rebukinge theyr sprines with out

any miracle at all.

Twhy: ffor y sewes had leueded the spiritual law of God and with they gloses had made it all to gether erthic ad fleshly and so had sett a Bapleoz coveringe on Mo ses face to shodowe and darken y glosious brightnesses his contenaunce. It was syn ne to stele: But to robbe wedowes how see Inder a colouwof longe prapage / a to posses in the name of offeringes and to snare y people with intollerable costitucions age stall love to ketch they money out of they purses was no synne at all.

To simpte sather ad mother was spinit but to withdraw helpe fro them at thepre nedel for blynde zele of offeringel. Unto the prospet of the holy phareses was then as meritorious as it is now to let all thy kynnethose wheter they will spinke or swemel while thou by destand makest goodly sundation for holy people which thou hast chosen to be thy christely to sowple thy soule

with the ople of theyr sweteblessynges/a to be the Helus for to laue the foule from & purgatory of the bloud that only purgeth synne/with theprwatchige/fastige/wolwardgoinge a ryfynge at mydnyght etc. where weth vet they purge not them felues from theyr conetousnesse/prode/sectius ry or any Tyce that thou fepft amonge the lave people.

Est was greate some for Christ to Beas le the people on the fabloth days In to the glorie of Bod kyo father but none at all for them to befpe thepr catell unto thepr

awne profett.

Est was sprine to eate with Knwashen handes or on an Sowaffen table or out of an Unwassen diff: But to eate out of that purifyed dyff that which came of bzybery/ theft a extersion was no synneat all.

Est was exceadynge meritorious to mas he many dyscyples: But to teach them to feare Bod in hos ordonaunces / had thep

no care at aff.

CThe hye prelates so defended the ryght of hoty church ad so feared the people with

the curfe of God a terreble paynes of Bell/ that no man durft leave the Vilest Berke in Bys gardepne Untythed. And the offerpnge and thrnges dedrcat In to God for the profitt of his holy bycare where in soch estymacion and reverece, that it was moch greater fonne to sweare truly by them the to forswere thy selfe by God: what Bengeaunce then of God / and how terreble and cruell damnacion thynke pe preached they to fall on the that had stolen soch holy this ges ? And pet fapth Chuft / that rpghtwefneffe ad faith in keppnge promise/mer= cie and indefferent judgement were Beturly troden Under fote and cleane dispyled of those blessed sathers / whych so mightely mayntened Arone patrimony ad had mad it fo prosperous ad environed it and walled it aboute on every spde with \$ feare of god/ that noman durft twech it.

The was greate holynesse to garnysh fe pulches of for prophetes a co codenne their awne fathers for slevinge of them: and pet were they the selectures for blande zelect their awne of their fathers

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to se whosoever testified din to them the same trueth which the prophetes testified din to they rathers. So that Christ copa reth all the right we snelle of those holy patriarkes din to the outwards bewtye of a paynted sepulchre full of stench and all din

clemese wythyn.

Cand finally to begyld a mans nepboure in fotle bargeninge and to wrappe and ws pase him in with cauteles of the law/was then as it is now in the kingdome of Dos pe. By the reason where of they excluded the law of love out of theprhertes ad cofe quette afterue repentaunce: for how coude they repet of y they coude not fe to be finne: Andon the other spde they had sett Spp a rightwesnesse of holy workes , to clense theyr foules with all: as the Pope fanctifieth ve with holy ople/holy hed/holy falt/ holy candels / holy dome ceremonies ad ho lp dome Blesspinges and with what soever holpmeffe thou wilt faue with the holpmes of Bode worde which only speaketh on to the Berteand (Beweth the foule hir filthyneffe and Buckenneffe of fynne/and leadeth

hir by p wape of repentaunce on to p fountappe of Christes bloude to washe it awa apethorow faith. By the reason of which false rightwesnesse they were dysobedient by to the rightwesnesse of God/which is the forgevenesse of spane in Christes blou de and coude not believe it. And so thorow slessly interpretynge the law ad false ima gined rightwesnesse the law ad false ima gined rightwesnesse their hertes were har dened ad made as stony as clap in an hote surnace of sire/that they coude receave nether repentaunce ner faith or any monster of grace at all.

Dut the hethen Niniuites/though they were blynded with lustes a good/yet were in those. ij. poputes Uncorrupte and Inhar dened/a thersore with the only preachinge of Jonas came In to the knowlege of their spunes and confessed them a repented trush a turned every man from his evelldedes a declared theyr sorow of hert a true repentance/with theyr dedes which they dyd out of faith a hope of sorgevenesse, chastys singe their bodies with prayer a fastinge a with takinge all pleasures from the steeps;

trustynge/as god was angrefor their wes kednesse/even so shuld he forgene them of hys mercye/yf they repeted a forsoke their

mpse lpuinge.

L'And in the last ende of all/thou hast pet a goodly ensample of sernynge , to sessow erthpe Honas is stell for all hps tryengein the whales bely. He was so soze displeased Because the Minimites perished not that he was wery of bys lyfe and wished after the deeth for very forow a payne that behad looft the glozie of his prophesienge, in that his prophesiecome not to passe. But god re buked him with a likeneffesavenge: it gre= ueth thone hert for the loffe of a vile fixob Be or spraye / wheron thou bestoweddest no loboure of cost / nether was it thynehands werke. How moch moare then Buld greve mpne Berte/the coffe of fo greate a multitu de of innocêtes as are in Piniue/which are allmyne handes werke. Nay Honas Ham Godouer all'and father as well In to the hethen as on to the Hewes ad mercifull to all and warne per f smpte: nether threte f fo cruefly by any prophete/but that Hwyll

forgene yf they repent ad an mercie:nether on the other fode, what some f promy se, wolf I fulfyll it / save for theyr sakes only whych trust in me and submitte them sels use to kepe my lawes of Very some / as nas

turall chyldern.

Mthysmaner to ready scripture is pright de therof a why b holy gost caused it to be writte. Chat is sthou first seke out s law / what god will have the to doo interpretinge it fpiritually with out glofeoz coueringe the brightnesse of Mofes face/fo & thou felein thone hert/ how that it is damnable synne before god/ not to loue they nevboure that is thyne eni mie/as puerly as Thrift loved the / and \$ not to love the nevboure in theme herte/is to have comitted all ready all synne agenst him. And therfore on toll that love Become/thou must knowlege Insapnedly that there is synne in the Best dede thou doest. Andit muft erneftly greue thone hert and thou must walke all the good deder in thei ftes bloude/per they can be pure and an acceptable facrifice on to God and must des

firegod & father for his fake to take thide des aworth a to pard & imperfectenesse of them a to gene the power to doo the better and with moare feruent lone.

Cand on the other fyde thou must serch diligently for the promises of mercie which God hath promifed theagapne. 119 hich.ij. poputes that is to weter & lawe spirituals ly interpreted/Howthat all is danable fyn nethatis not Infapried love out of the grownde and botom of the herte after theensample of Christes love to Be/because we be all equally created ad formed of one god oure father/and indifferently bought a re= demed with one bloud of oure fauroure fefue Christe: ad that the promises be geven By to a repentynge foule that thursteth and longeth after them, of the pureand fa therly mercie of god thosow oure faith one ly with outeal defertinge of oure dedes or merites of oure werkes / But for Christes fakealoneand for the merites ab deferuins ges of his werkes / deth and passions that he sofered all to gether for 86 a not for him felfe: whych.ij.poputes I sape if they be

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toxitten in thine herte/are the keyes which fo open all the scripture By to the / that no creature can locke the out / and with which thou shall goo in and out / and findepasture and sode every where. And of the selections be not written in thou herte/ then is all the scripture shutt Byp/as a cornell in the spale / so that thou may stread it and comen of it and reperse all the stories of it and dispute sotilly and be a prosonned thereof.

And thirdly that thou take the stories a stude which are cotepned in the bible/for su re ad Undowted ensamples / Bod so will deale with Be By to the worldes ende.

There with Reader farewell and be commended By to God and By to the grace of hys fapte. And first se that thou stoppe not there eares By to the case yie of god and that thou harden not thineherte begy led with selfs interpretinge of the law a fasse imagined and procritish right we self se and so the skininites rese with theat y day of sudgement a condemne the.

C.ij.

I And secodarily if thou finde ought amif se, when thou sepft thy selfein the glasse of Bods worde/thenkeit copendious wifeme/to amende o same betymes / monesbed a warned by the ensample of other men/ra ther the to tary Untill thou be beten also. EAnd theidly if it shall so chaunce that \$ wild lustes of thy flesh shallblynd the and carie the cleane awape with them for a tyme:pet at the later ende/ when o god of all mercie shall have compased the in on every spote with teptacios/tribulacions/aduersi= ties a cobraunce to bringe & home agapne By to thone awne herte, a to fet thy finnes wich thou woldest so fayne couer a put out of mond with delectació of Voluptuous pa stomes before peped of the edicience: then call o faithfull enfample of Honas a allly ke flories By to thy remedraunce / ad with Jonas rurne Brito thi father that smote f: not to cast y awaye/but to lare a cozosie ad a freatige play ster on to pockethat save hid a fret inwarde/to draw y diseaseout a to make it appere/y thou mightest feale to by seckenes a y daunger therof a come a re

ceaue the healynge play fter of mercie.

1 And forget not what soeuer ensample of mercie god hath shewed sens & beginninge of & world the same is promised the pf thou wilt in sike maner turne agapne and receaued it as they dyd. And with Jonas be aknowen of thy spane acosesses it in to thy father.

EAnd as \$ law which freteth thy colcien ce/is in those herte a is none outwarde thi ge/eve so leke within in thise herte/ play sterof mercie/the promples of forgenenesse in our sanioure selves Christe/accordinge on to all the ensamples of mercie that are

gonne Befoze.

Tand with Jonas let the that wapte on Vanities a seke god here a there a in every teple save in their hertes goo/a seke thou y testamet of god in though hert. For in though the words of y law/a in though the words of haw/a in though her is y words of supth in the promises of mercie in Jesus Ahriste. So that y sthou coses se with a repentance herte a knowlege ad surely belove y Jesus is lorde over all synerthou art saffe.

D.iij.

Dand finally when the rage of the coscience is ceased and quieted with fast faith in the promises of mercie/thenosfer with some the offeringe of prapse and thankelges uinge/a pape the down of the baptim/that Bod only saueth/of his des mercie a goods nesses that is before stedfastly a preach cossiantly/that it is Bod only that simpleth/and Bod only that healeth; a scribpinge of cause of the tribulation duto the meanne spane / and of cause of the desineraunce duto the mercie of Bod.

TInd be wate of the level faith we have power in our frewill before & preachinge of & Gofpell/to deferue grace/ to kepe & law/ of cogruite/or god to be unright wesse. And saie with Ihon in the first of as & law was gevel by Doses/evel so grace to sulfill it/is gevel by thriste. Und whe they saye oure de des with grace deserve heven/saye thou who alse ko. vi. & everlastige life is the gifte of god thorow selenae by faith Ihon.i.e therefore hevres of god with christ Ro. vii. And saye that we receaved of god thorow faith

that foloweth repentaunce/q y we doo not oure werkes on to god/but ether In to oure felues/to flep o finne that remanneth in flesh a to wave perfecte/ether vn to oure nepboures which dooas moch for Beagap ne in some other thiges. And whe a ma ex ceadeth ingiftes of grace/let hi Understode that they be gend him as welfor his weake Brethern as for him selfe: as though all the Bred Becomitted In to the panter / pet for his felowes with hym/ which geue the thankes by to theyr loade / and recompens ce the panter agayne with other kynde fer uice in they coffices. And when they fave that Christ hath made no satisfaction for the spnne wedoo after oure Baptym : sape thou woth the doctrine of Paule / that in oure baptom we recease the merptes of Christes deeth thosow repentaunce and farth of which two baptim is the franc. And though when we some of frailtie af ter oure baptym we recease the sygne no moare/pet we be renewed agapne thosow repentaunce and faith in Christes bloude/ whech twapne, the franc of baptym ever D.inj.

The Prologe. contriued amonge Be in Baptispinge oure pounge childern doeth euer kepe in mynde and call de Backe agapne on to oure profef sion if we be gonne astrapel a promiseth be forgevenesse. Dether an actuall frame be washed awaye with oure werkes but wis th Christes bloude mether can there be any other facrifice of satisfaction to Godward for them / saue Christes bloude. Hoz as moch as we can doo no werkes Into Bod/ but recease only of his mercie with oure re pentynge fapth/thozow Jefus Christeous re lorde and only fauer: In to whom a By to God oure father thosow him/and By to hys holy spirite that only purgeth/sanctifieth a washeth Vs in the innocet Bloude of oure re= demption/be prayle eper AABER.

The Storie of the prophete Jonas. The first Chapter.

Se worde of the lorde came In to the prophete Jonas of some of Amithai savenge: rose a gett the to Miniue that greate citie a preach In to the / how that

thepr wekednesse is come Top beforeme. L'And flonas made hi ready to see to The arsis fro the present of horder gatt hym downe to floppe and sound there a sheppe ready to goo to Tharsis/C paped his fare/a wet aborde to goo with them to Thars

fis fro the presens of the lorde.

Dut & loide burked a greate winde in to \$ [e / [o that there was a myghtic tepesting the se: in so moch & the spep was loke to goo in peas. And the mariners were a fraped a cried every man on to his god/a cast out & goodes & were in & sheppe in to & se/ to sighten it of the. But sonas gatt him onder the satches a layed him downe and slombede. And & master of the sheppecame to him a sand son to him a series thou. Topo/a cast on to the god/that Dod mape thinkeon ve/that we perish not.

The first Chapter.

Taind they sayde one to a nother / come a lett Ve cast lottes/ to know for whose caus se we are thus troublede. And they cast sot tes. Und & lott fell Sppon Jonas.

THE they said unto hi/tel de for whose cause weare thus trowbled: what is thine occupació/whence comest thou/how is thy cotre called/a of what nacion art thou?

CAnd beanswered the Aam an Ebruera the lord God of heuen which made both fe and drie land / feare. Then were the men exceedingly afrayd a fact by to him/why diddest thou so: Hor they knew that he w= as fled from the present of the lorde/becau

se be had told them.

Chenther lard Buto hum/what shall we doo Into the/that the fe mape ceafe fro troublinge voissor these wrought a was trowblous. And he answered them / take me and cast me in to the sela so shall it lett pou be in reste: for I wotte/it is for my sake/that this greate tempest is come oppon pou. Reverthelesse themenassayed wyth rowenge to bringe the sheppe to lande: But it wold not be / Because the se so wrought a

Df Jonas.

was so trowblous agenst them. Wherefox re they cried dy to the loade a sayd: D loade latt do not perif for this mans deeth/ nether saye innocet bloud dy to our charge: for thou soade even as thy pleasure was/ so thou hast done.

Tund the they toke Jonas, a cast his to h se, a the se lefte ragginge. Und himen feared the soide excedingly: a facrificed facrififice din to the soide: and dowed howes.

TThe seconde Chapter.

Dt o lorde prepared agreate folle/ to swalow Bp Honas. And so was Honas in o Bowels of o fish iii day-

es q.iij.nightes. And Jonas prayed unto p lord his god out of p bowels of the fifth.

Thind he sappe: in my tribulation fcalled on to the lorder and he answered me: out of the befy of hell I cried and thou herdest my voyce. How hadest cast me downe depe in the middes of the se: a the sloud copased me aboute: and all thy waves a rowles of water wet over me: A thought of had be ne cast awaye out of thy sight. But I wish yet agapne loke towarde thy hosy temple.

The.iii. Chap.

The water copased meeue by to the very soule of me: the depelape abouteme: ad the wedes were wrappte aboude myne heed. And I wet downe by to the botome of the hylles / a was barredin with erth on every side for ever. And yet thou lorde my God broughtest by my life agapne out of correpcion. When my soule faynted in me/I the ought on the lorde: amp praper came in by to the even in to thy holy temple. They so observe dayne vanities have sor I will say to them. But I will sarrifice by to the with the voce of thankes geninge / a will paye that I have vowed that savinge cometh of the lorde.

Mand the lorde spake vito the fish and it cast out you as agapus vipo of drie lande.

CThe.iij.Chapter.

shen came the worde of the lorde vn to somas agapne savenge: Topp/Ad gett of to Minime that greate citie/a preache on to the the preachinge which sade of. And he arose a wet to Pinime at of lordes comaundmet. Dinime was a greate citie vn to god/cotepnige.iij.dayes sourney

Df Gonas.

L'And Honas went to a entred in to \$ citie even a dapes journey / and cried fapenge: There (Ballnot paffe. pl. dapes but Minipue (Balle overthrower.

TAnd the people of Ainiue beloued Bod/ and proclapmed fastinge/Ad araped them selues in sackcloth/ as well the greate as

the small of them.

Thin \$ tydinges came on to the kinge of Niniue/which arose out of his sete/and did his apparest of a put on sackcloth/a sate hid downe in affhes. And it was cried ad commaunded in Niniue by & auctorite of \$ kinge ad of his lordes sayenge: se that nether ma 02 beest/ope 02 shepe tast ought at al/a that they nether sede or drinke water.

Eand they put on fackcloth both man ad beeft/a cried on to God mightily/ ad turned every man from his weked wape/ and fro doenge wedge in which they were acusfromed/fapenge: who can test whether god will turne a repent/a ceafe from his fearce weathe/ that we perish not: And when god saw they workes / how they turned from they weked wapes/he repented on y evell

TChe.iii. Chapter. which he fayd he wold doo By to them / ad dyd it not.

TChe.iiij. Chapter.

ad angre. And he prayed on to the Corde ad fapd: O lord/was not this my sapenge when I was pet in my contre: And therfore I halted rather to fle to Charfis: for H knew well pnough that thou wast a mercifull god ful of copassion long per thouse angre and of greate mercie and repentest when thou art come to take pus niffment. Now therfore take my life from me/foz & had leuer dpe then fine. And the lorde faid In to Bonas /art thou fo angrie? TAnd Honas gatt him out of the citie and fate him downe on the eft fpde theroffe, ad made him there a bothe ab fate thervnder in the fadowe/till be might fe what fuld chaunce on to the citie.

Land & lorde prepared as it were a wild vine which frage &pouer Jonas/that he might have shadowe over his heed/to deliver him out of his paper. And Jonas was exceadynge glad of the wild vine.

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Df Honas.

CAnd the lorde orderned a worme agenft the springeof o morow mornige which simo te the wild vine / that it wethered awape. And assone as the sonne was Spp / Bod prepared a feruent eest winde: so that & son ne Bete ouer the Beed of Jonas that Befain ted agapne ad wished In to hpe foule that hemight dpe / and fapd / it is better for me to dpethen to live.

And god fayd Into Jonas / art thou fo angre for the wildvine ? And he farde/ B am angrie a goode/even on to the deeth. And the loade sayde thou hast compassion on a wild vine wheron thou bestowedest no laboure ner madest it growe/ which spzange Spinonenight and perished in a no= ther: and Muld not A haue compassion on Miniue that greate citie, wherin there is a multitude of people / euen aboue an hundred thousande that know not they right hand from the lyste / bespdes

moch catell?

Coverdale's Translation of Jonas. being found in the Bible by Thomas Matthew, folio. 1537. and in the three subsequent editions of the same version, is here given for the purpose of comparison.— It is copied from Coverdale's Bible, folio. 1535.

The marginal references are omitted.

The Prophet

The first Chapter.



he worde of the LORD Ecame vnto Jonas the sonne of Amithai, sayinger Aryse, and get the tox liniue that greate cite: and preach unto them, how y

their wickednesse is come up before me. Und Jonas made him ready to she unto Tharsis

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from the presence of the LORDE, and gat him downeto Joppa: where he founde a shippe ready forto go onto Tharsis. So he payde his sare, and wenteaborde, that hemight go with them onto Tharsis from the presence of the LORDE. But the LORDE hurled a greate wonde in to the see, and there was a might to tempest in the sees of that the shippe was in toperdy of goinge in peces. Then the maryners were a stayde, and cried eneryman on to his god: and the godes that were in the shippe, they cast into the see, to lightenit off them. But Jonas gat him onder y hatches, where he layed him downe and slombred.

So themaster of the spippe came to him and sayde unto him: why slomberest thou? Op, call uponthy God: God (happly) will think upon us, that we persphenot. And they sayde one to another: come, let us cast lottes: that we maye knowe, so whose cause we are thus troubled. And so they cast lot-

tes, and the lot fell upon Jonas.

The fayoe they onto him:tell vs, for who se cause are wethus troubled: what is thine occupation: whence commest thou: what countremanart thou, and of what nacion: Leanswered them: Jam an Ebrue, and J

Tonas, Coverdalés Version.

feare the LORD EGOD of heaven, which ma be both the see and drielonde. Then were of menerceadingly a frayed, z sayde unto him: why didest thou so: (for they knewe, that he was sled from the presence of the LORDE, he cause he had tolde them) and sayde morouer unto him: What shall we do unto the, that the see maye ceasse from troublinge vo: (for the see wrought and was troublous) he answered them: Take me, and cast me in to the see, so shalit let you be in rest: for I wo te, it is for my sake, that this greate tempest is come upon you.

Teuerthelesse, the men assayed with row inge, to brynge the shippe to love: but it wol be not be, because the see wrought so, z was so troublous agaynst them. Wherfore they cried unto the LORDE, and sayde: OLORDE, let us not perish for this mans death, nether laye thou innocent bloude unto oure charge: for thou (oLORDE) hast done, euen

as thy pleasure was.

So they to be Jonas, and cast him in to the see, and the see lefte ragynge. And the men seared the LORDE exceedingly, doynge sacrifices admatynge vowes unto the LORDE.

# Tonas, Coverdalés Version

### The II. Chapter.

Dethe LORDE prepared a greate for be, to fivalow up Jonas. So was Jonas in the bely of the fight, three da yes and three mightes. And Jonas prayed un to the LORDE his God, out of the fightes be ly, and fayed: Inmytrouble I called unto i LORDE, and he herdeme: out off the bely off bell I cried, and thou herdeft my voyce. Thou had deft cast me downe depening and dest off the see, and the slower compared me aboute: yee all thy waves and rowles of water went over me, I thought that I had bene cast awaye out of thy sight: but I wil yet agayne lote towarde thy holy temple.

The waters compased me, evento the very soule: the depelayeabouteme, and the wedes were wapte about emyne heade. I wented owne to the botome of the hilles, I was barred in with earth souch. But thou (o LORDE my God) hast brought up my lyse agagneout of corrupcion. When my soule saynted within me, I thought upon the LOR DE: and my prayer came in unto the, even in to thy holy temple, They that holde of vay-

Tonas, Coverdale's Version.

ne vanyties, wil forfate his mercy. But I wil to the facrifice with the voyce of thankefge upnge, and wil payethat I have vowed: for why: faluacion commeth of the LORDE. And I LORDE spate unto y fysh, and it cast out Jonas agayne upon the beyelonde.

### The 111. Chapter.

Jen cametheworde of the LORDE unto Jonas agayne, savenge: vp, and get the to l'Imiuethat greate cite, z preach unto them the preachinge, which J bade the So Jonas arose, and wente to l'iniue at the LORDES commaundement. I liniue was a greate cite unto God, namely, off thre dayes sourney.

And Jonas wenteto, and entred in to facite: even a dayes courney, and cried, sayenge: There are yet pl. dayes, and then shal Winive be overthrowen. And the people of Winive beleved God, and proclamed sastinge, and araged them shues in sack cloth, as well the greate as the small of them. And the tydinges came unto fringe of Winive, which arose out off his seate, and dyd his apparell off, and put on sack cloth, and sate him

# Nonas, Coverdalés Version.

bowneina Mbes.

21nd it was cried and commaunded in Utiniue, by the ancrosite of the Fige and his losdes, savenge: se that nether man or beeft, ore or shepetaist ought at alliand that they nether sedener drinckewater: but put on sad cloth both man and beest, and crye mightely onto God: yee se that enery man turne fro his euellwaye, and from the widednesse, y he bath in honde.

Who cantell: Bodmaye turne, and repete, and coase from his searce wath, that we perish not. And when Bod sawe their worked, how they turned from their wicked wayes: he repented on the euell, which he sayde he wolde do unto them, and dyd it not.

### The IIII. Chapter.

Jerfore Jonas was sore discontët, and angrie. And he prayed unto the LORD E, and sayde: O LORDE, was not this my sayenge (J praye the) when J was yet in my countrestherfore J haisted ratherto sle unto Charsis, for J knowe well ynough that thou art a mercifull God, full of compassion, loge sufferinge, and of grea-

# Tonas, Coverdale's Version.

te kyndnesse, and repentest when thou shulbest take puny shment. And now o LORDE, ta kemy life frome (J beseke the) for J had rather by ethen sque. Then saybethe LORDE: art thou so angrie: And Jonas gat him out of the cite, and sat downe on y east sybether of and there made him a bothe, and sat vnderst in the shadow, till he might se, what shulde chaunce unto the cite.

And the LORDE God prepared a wylde vyne, which sprange vp ouer Jonas, that be might have shave about his heade, to delyuer him out of his payne. And Jonas was exceading glad of the wylde vyne.

But ops the nexte morow agaynst the springe of the daye, the LORDE ordened a worme, which since the wysde vyne, so that it wethered awaye. And when the Sone was op God prepared a feruent east wynde: and the Sonne bete ouer the heade of Jonas, that he sayned agayne, and wysshed onto his soule, that he might dye, and sayde: It is better forme to dye, theto sque. And God sayd onto Jonas: Artthous angrie sor the wysde opne: And he sayde: yee very angrie am seuen onto the beeth. And the LORD Esayder thou hast compassion upon a wysde vyne.

Inas, Coverdalés Version.

wherd then bestowbest no labours, nermay dest it grower which sprange up in one night and perished in another: And shuldenot I then have compassion upon Timine that greate cite, wherin there are aboue an C. and pr. thousande personnes, I know e not their right bode frot be lefte, bespoes moch catell:

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The Introduction contains a brief notice of the early life of Tyndale, and of his printing the New Testament at Worms; and the evidence that I have collected to prove that Peter Schoeffer was the printer, to which are added 7 pages of facsimiles from books printed by him, and the water marks in the Testament, and Schoeffer's Bible; a description and history of the only known copy, which is in the Baptist College, Bristol, with a page, on which is the beginning of the first epistle of St. Peter, with the woodcut of the Apostle, illuminated and ruled with red lines, like the original. Also a list of the works printed by Peter Schoeffer, of Worms.

In the original, the wood-cuts, capitals, &c., 2606 in number, are illuminated; copies so illuminated, also on large paper, on old paper and on vellum, may be obtained on special application.

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N.B. Preparing for Publication, a Description of Lord T. Cromwell's Bible, of 1539; the Six Editions of Cranmer's Bible, of 1540 and 1541; and of the authorized folios of 1611, 1613, 1617, 1634, 1640.

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