JONAH

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JONAH 1:17-2:10

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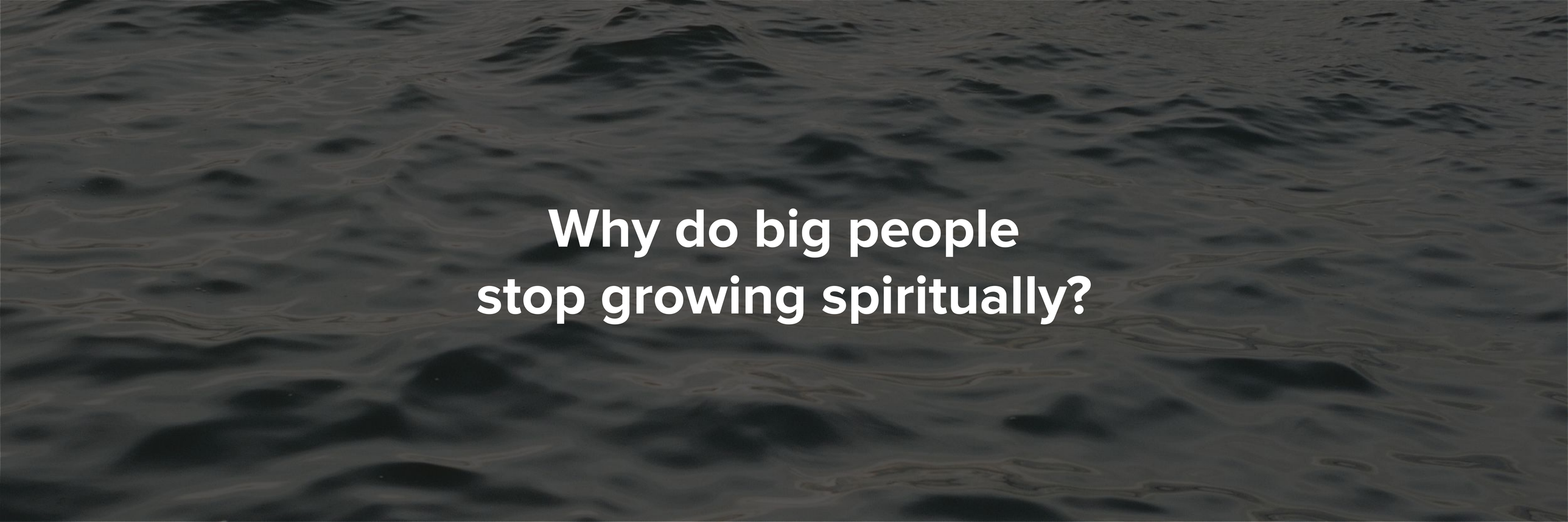

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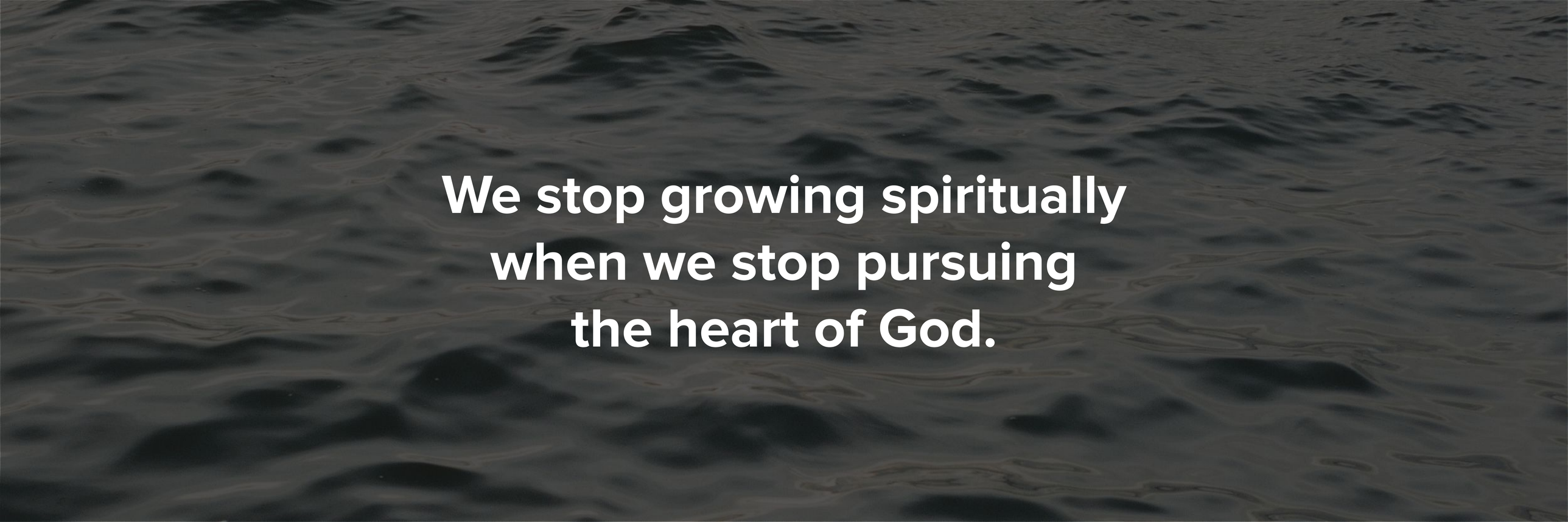

We stop growing spiritually
when we stop pursuing
the heart of God.

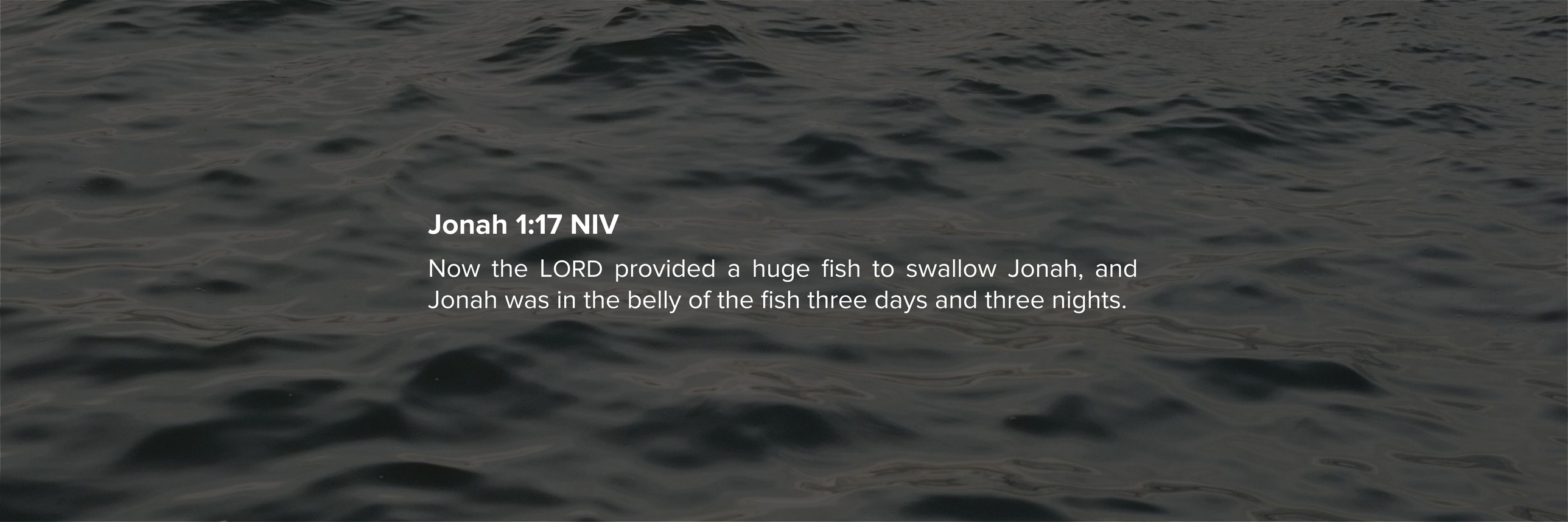
Jonah Chapter 1 Review

1:1-3

1:4-9

1:10-16

3 Growth Indicators



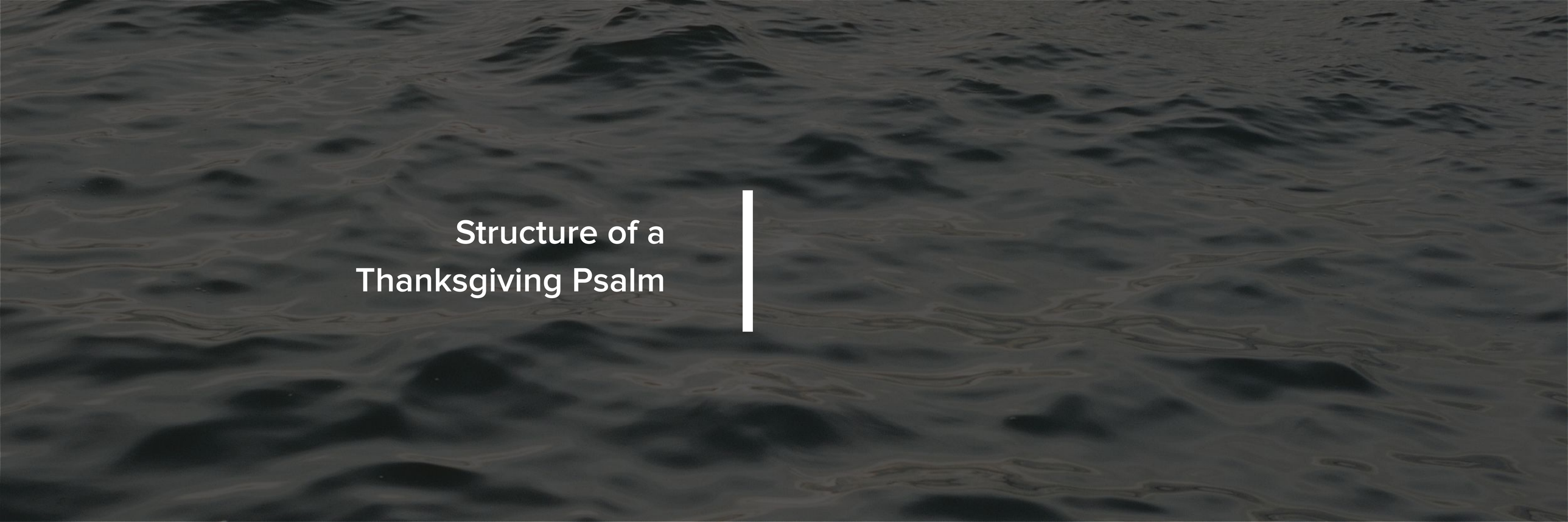
Jonah 1:17 NIV

Now the LORD provided a huge fish to swallow Jonah, and Jonah was in the belly of the fish three days and three nights.

Growth Indicator #1

A life that is growing spiritually...
acknowledges and responds
to the grace of God.

Listen to Jonah 2:1-9



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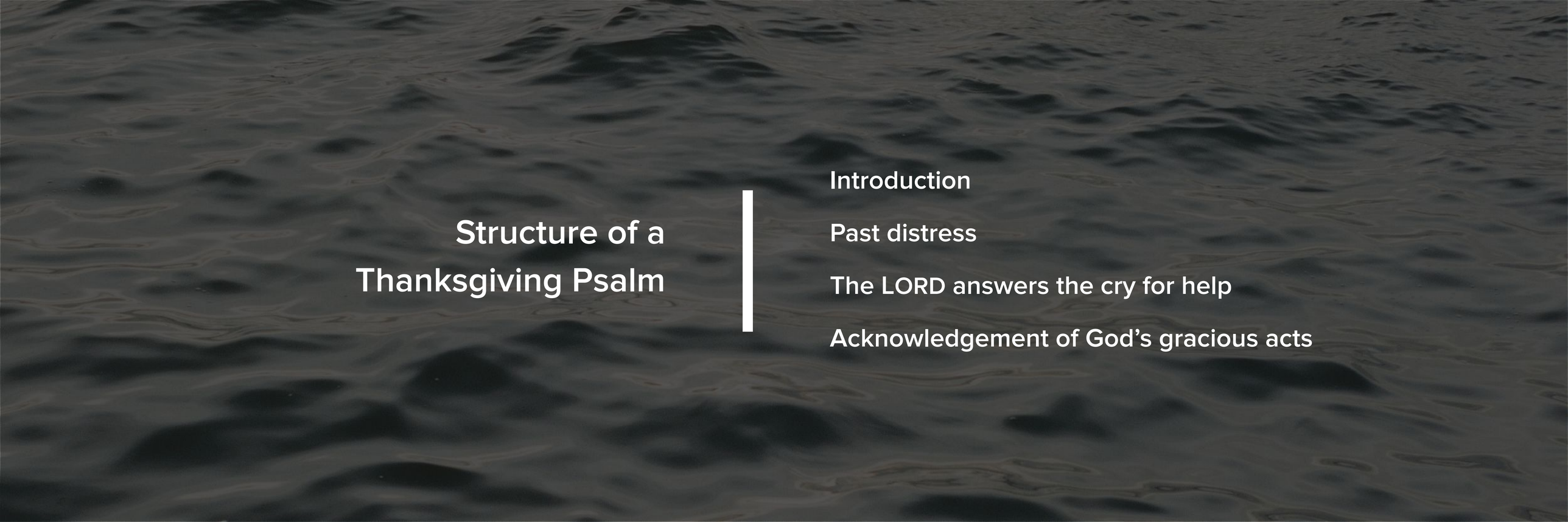

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Acknowledgement of God's gracious acts | *v. 8-9*

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2:7	18:6
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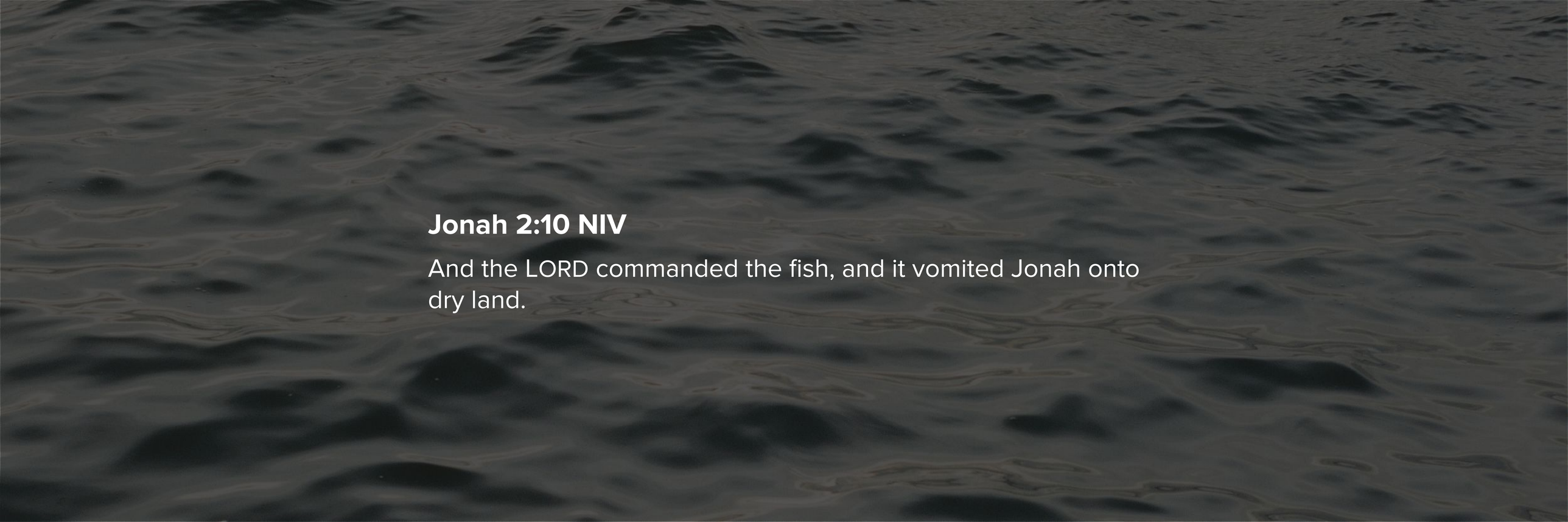
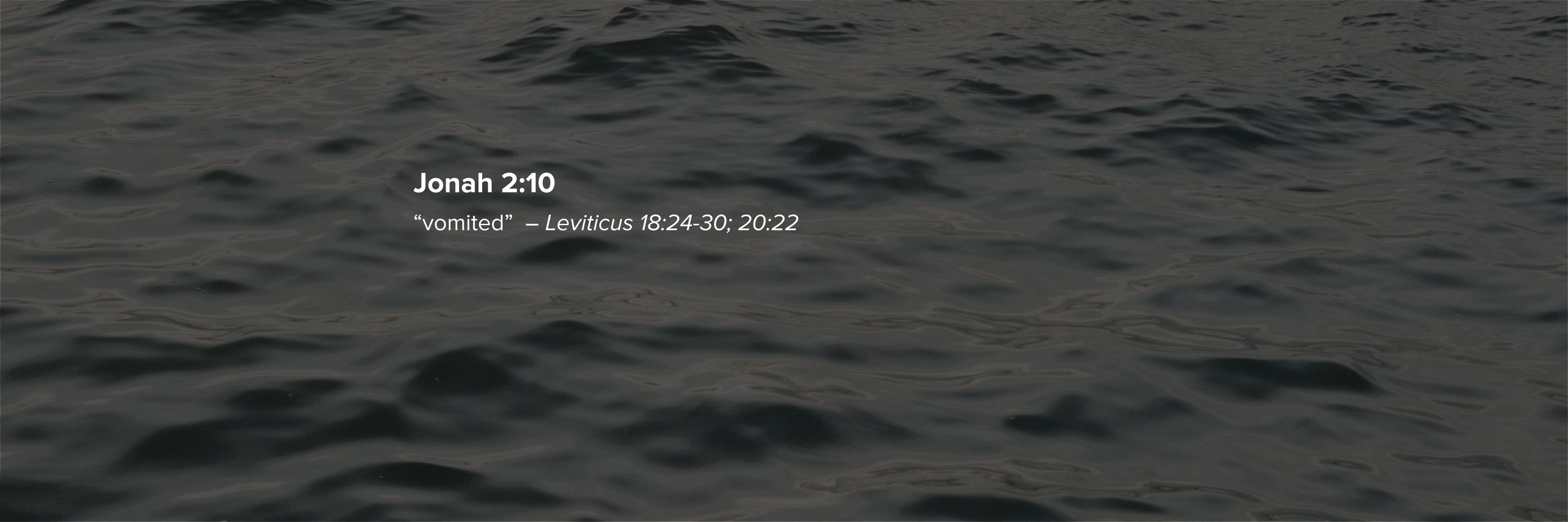


Jonah 2:10 NIV

And the LORD commanded the fish, and it vomited Jonah onto dry land.



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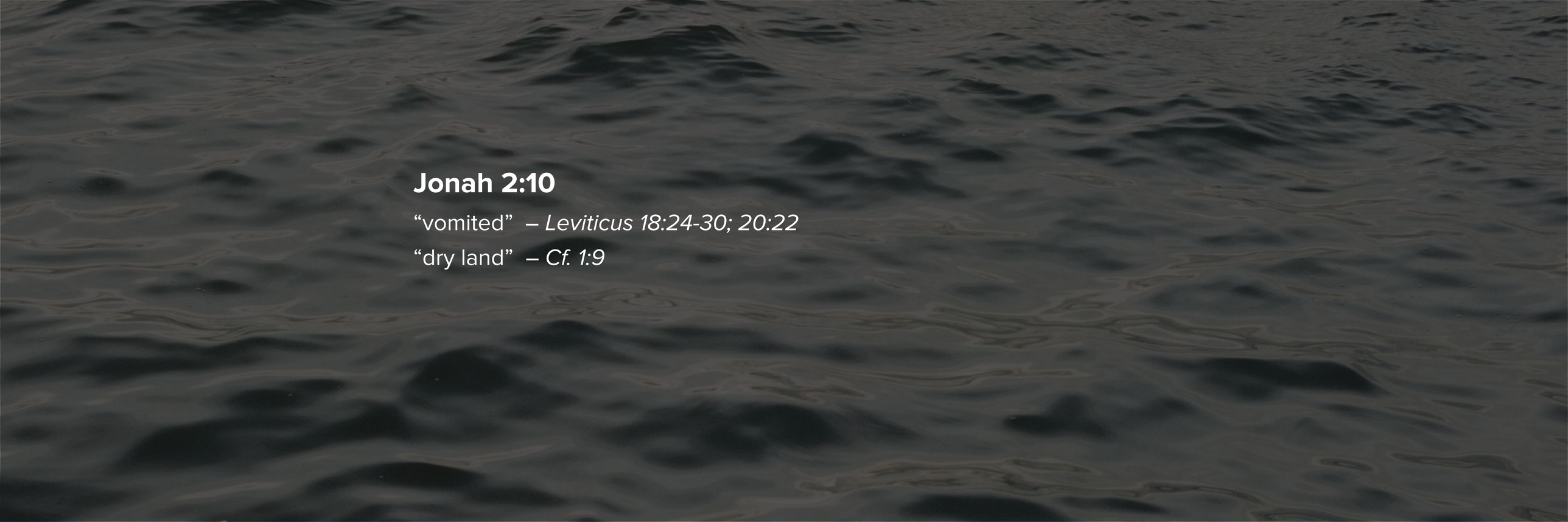

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I think it is an editorial comment by God concerning Jonah's confession *(1:9)*, promises and vows *(2:9)*, and the sincerity of the prayer.

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The prayer ignores the essential issue between the prophet and God: Jonah’s refusal of a prophetic commission.

- **James Watts**, *Song and the Ancient Reader*

Growth Indicator #3

A life that is growing spiritually...
confesses sin

not pious words of religiosity.

1. Are we acknowledging and responding to the grace of God?
2. Do we know and apply the Word of God?
3. How often do we confess sin?