



Demanding Justice, Receiving Mercy

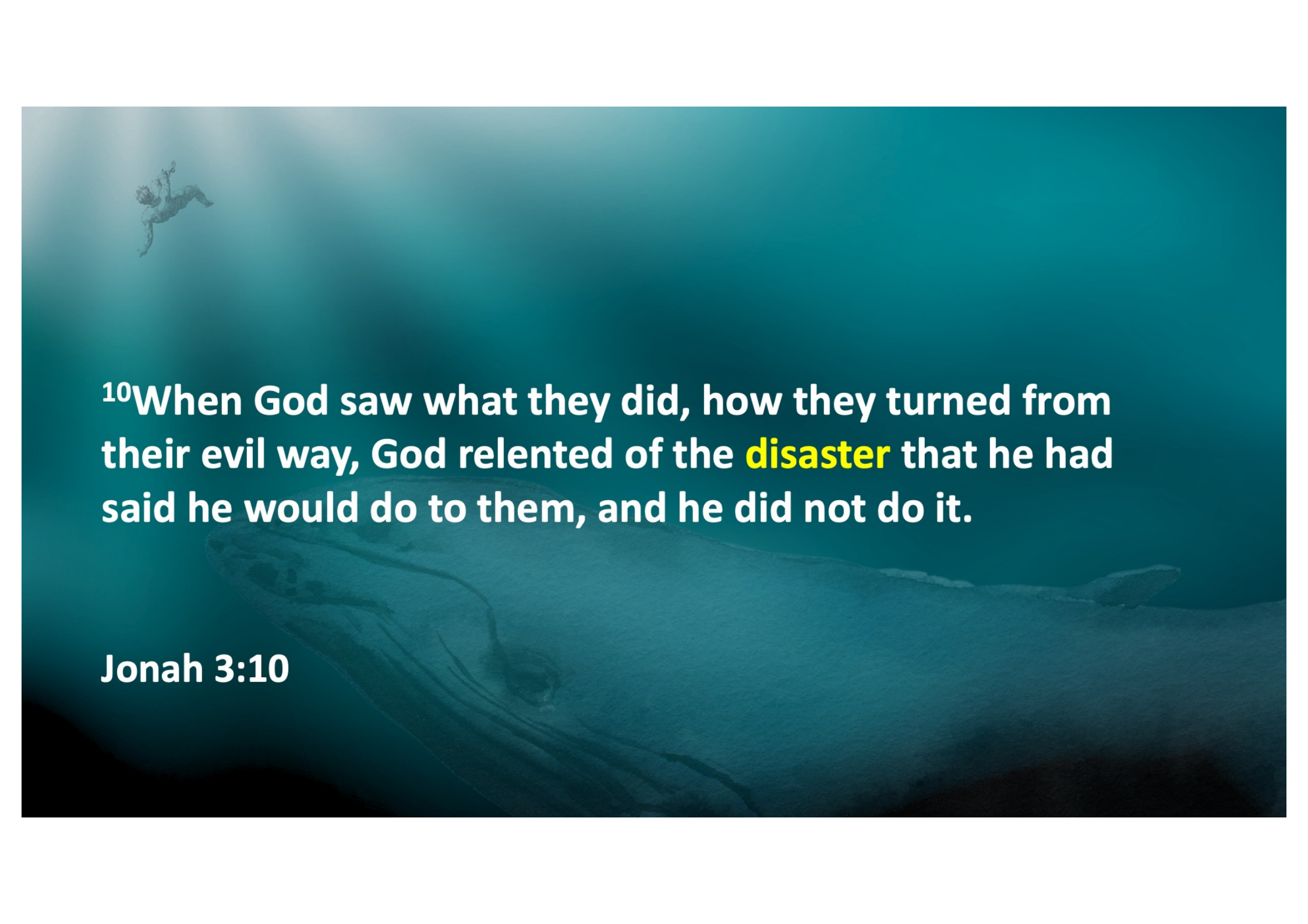
Jonah 4:1-11



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Jonah 4:1

The background of the slide is a dark teal, underwater scene. In the upper left corner, a person is seen falling into the water. In the lower half of the image, a large whale is swimming, its head and eye visible. The overall atmosphere is somber and dramatic.


¹⁰When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil way, God relented of the **disaster that he had said he would do to them, and he did not do it.**

Jonah 3:10

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²And he prayed to the Lord and said, “O Lord, is not this what I said when I was yet in my country? **That is why I made haste to flee to Tarshish;**


A large, detailed illustration of a whale, shown from a side profile, swimming in the water. It occupies the lower half of the slide.

Jonah 4:2



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Jonah 4:2

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³Therefore now, O Lord, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live.”


Jonah 4:3



⁴And the Lord said, “Do you do well to be angry?”


Jonah 4:4



A small, faint illustration of a person falling into the water, positioned in the upper left corner of the image. The background is a teal gradient with a large, faint illustration of a whale's head and tail in the lower half.

⁵Jonah went out of the city and sat to the east of the city and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, till he should see what would become of the city.


Jonah 4:5

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⁶Now the Lord God appointed a plant and made it come up over Jonah, that it might be a shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort.

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Jonah 4:6

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⁶Now the Lord God appointed a plant and made it come up over Jonah, that it might be a shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort. **So, Jonah was exceedingly glad because of the plant.**

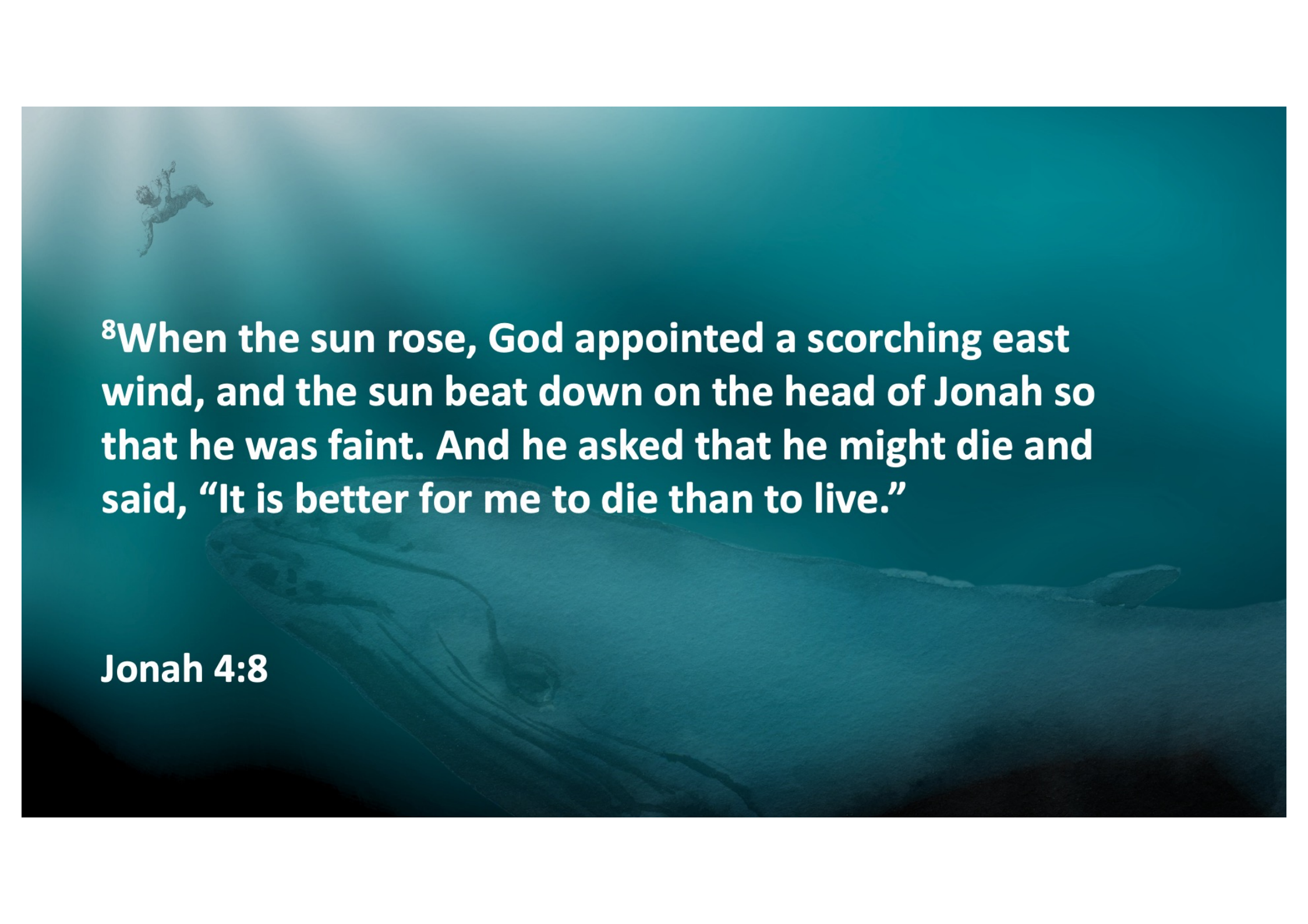
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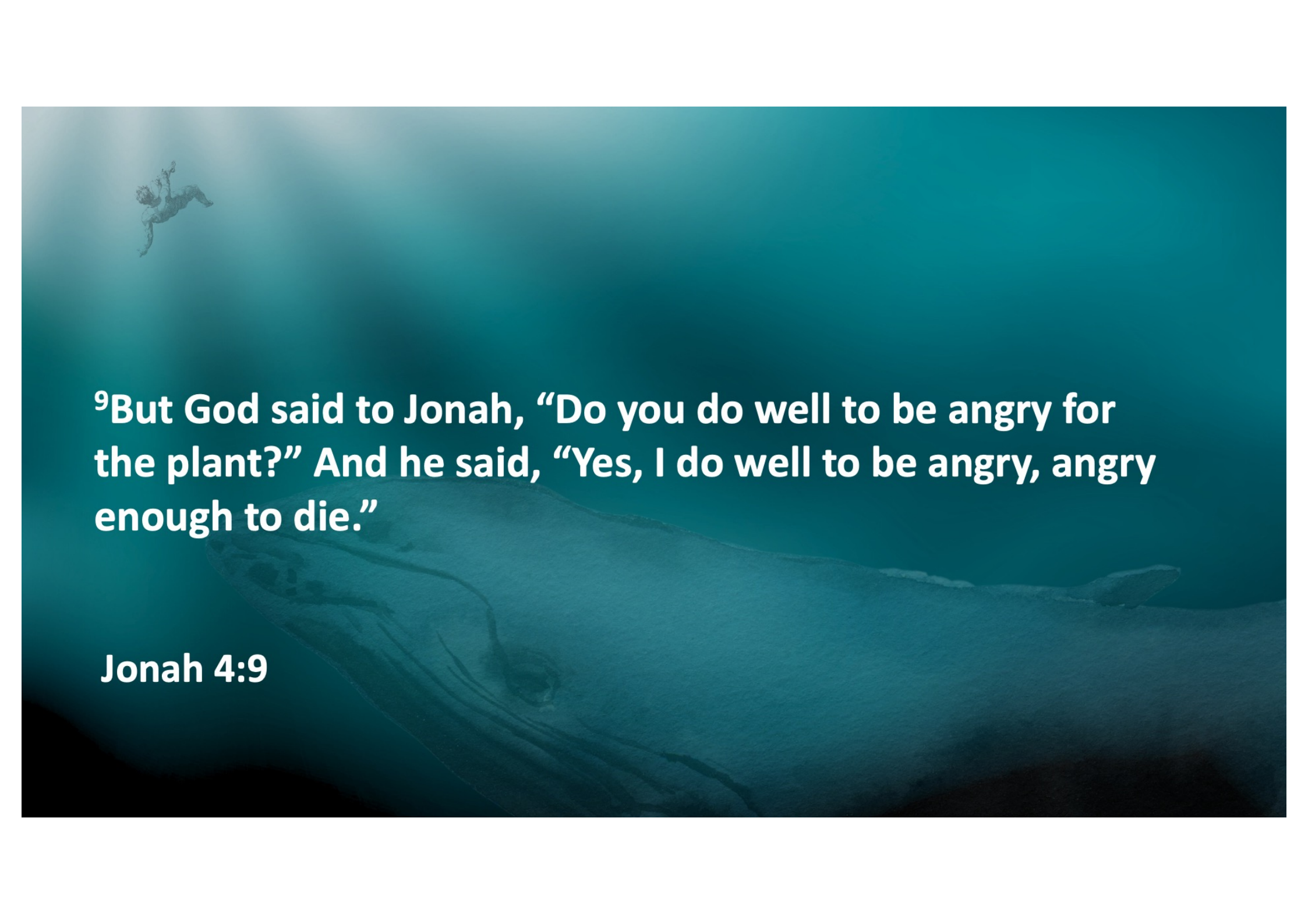
⁷But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the plant, so that it withered.

Jonah 4:7

A person is shown falling from the sky into the ocean. Below, a large whale is swimming. The scene is set against a teal background.

⁸When the sun rose, God appointed a scorching east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint. And he asked that he might die and said, “It is better for me to die than to live.”

Jonah 4:8

A person is shown falling into the water in the upper left corner. Below them, a large whale is swimming, its head and eye visible. The background is a deep teal color with light rays filtering down from the top.

⁹But God said to Jonah, “Do you do well to be angry for the plant?” And he said, “Yes, I do well to be angry, angry enough to die.”


Jonah 4:9

Jonah's Double Standards

I extended **mercy** to the Ninevites. You get angry. Instead, you desire **justice**.

I extended **justice** to you (by attacking the plant). You get angry. Instead, you desire **mercy**.



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¹⁰And the Lord said, “You pity the plant, for which you did not labor, nor did you make it grow, which came into being in a night and perished in a night.”

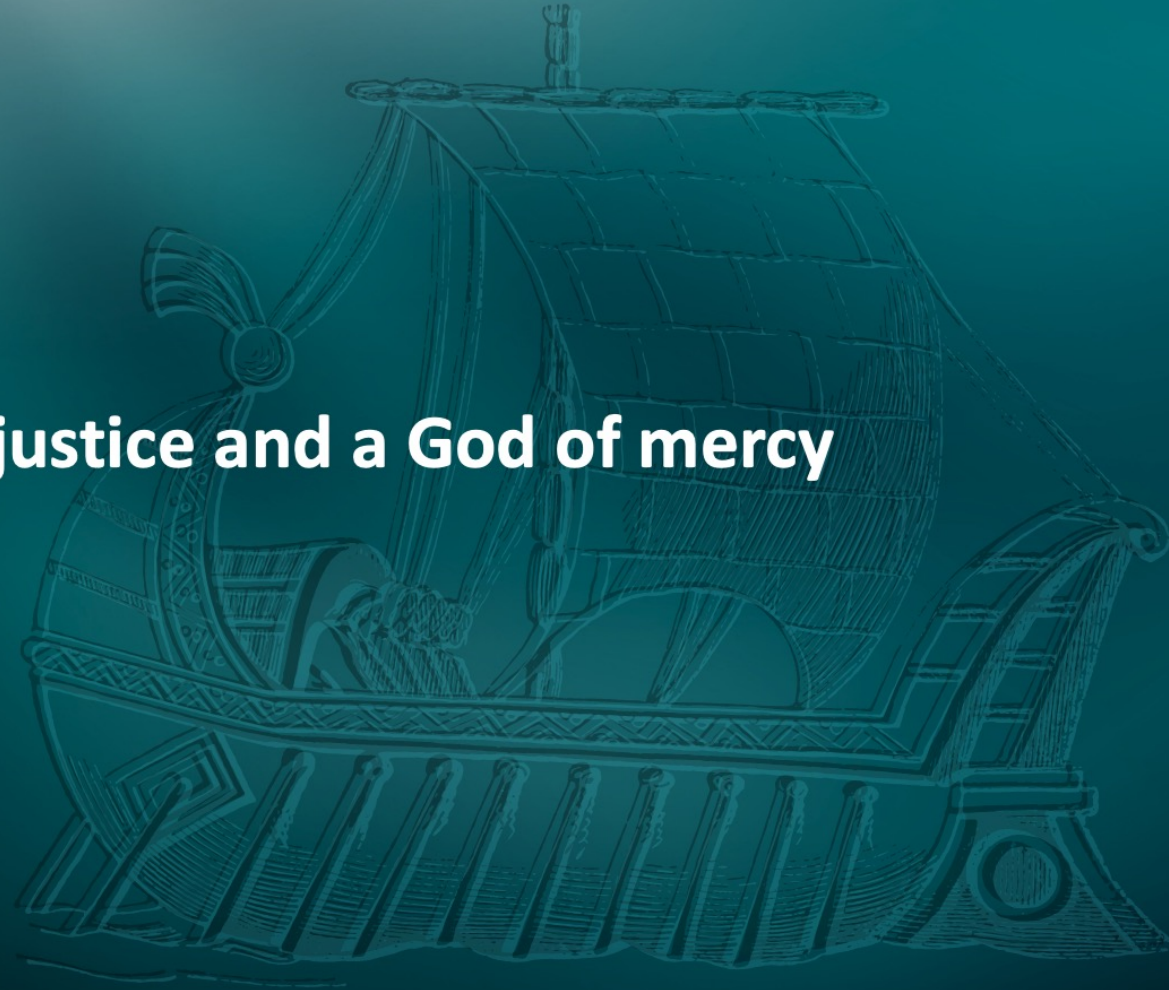
Jonah 4:10

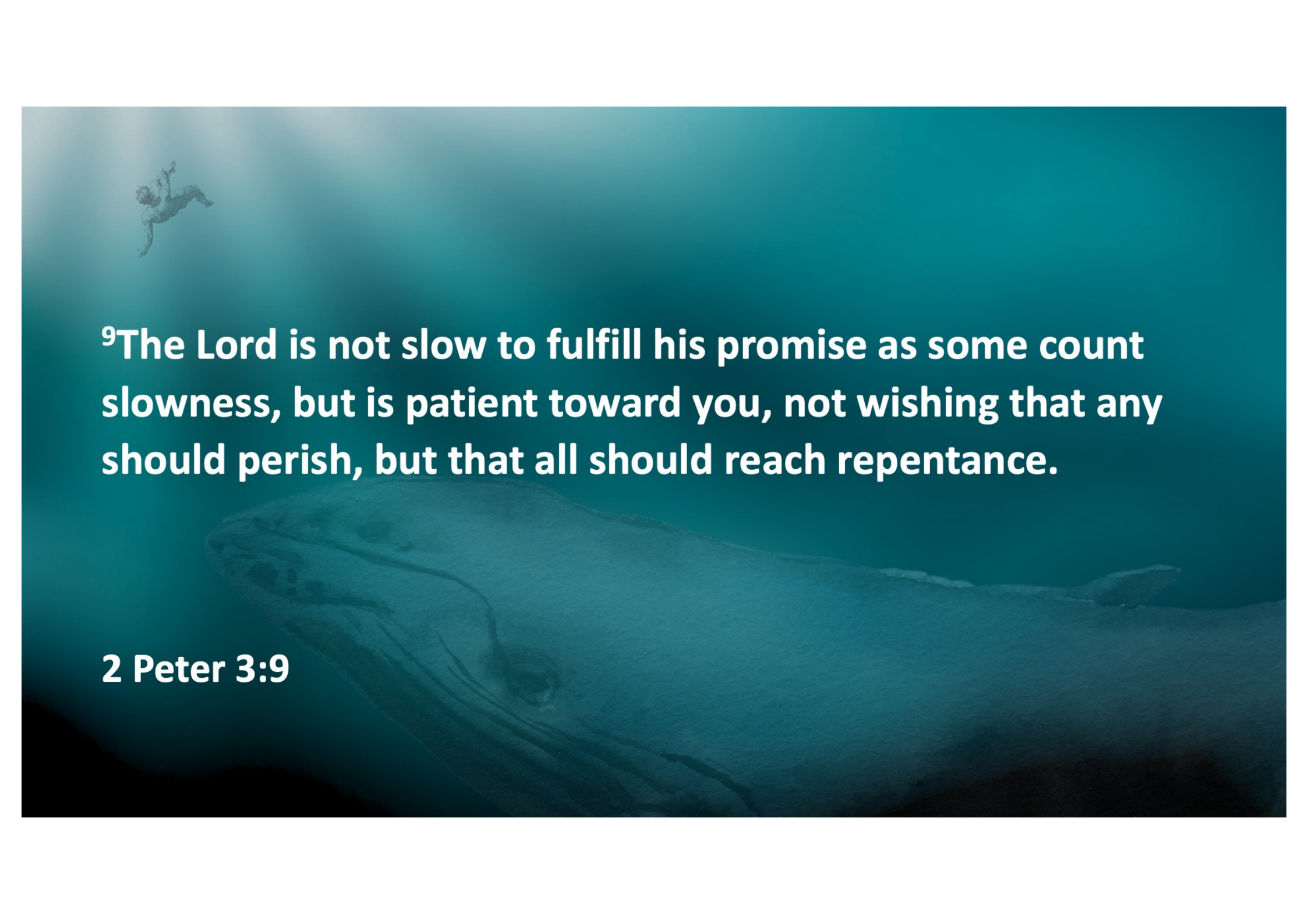
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¹¹And should not I pity Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than 120,000 persons who do not know their right hand from their left, and also much cattle?”

Jonah 4:11

1. A God of justice and a God of mercy





⁹The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance.

2 Peter 3:9



1. A God of justice and a God of mercy

2. Jonah and Jesus

