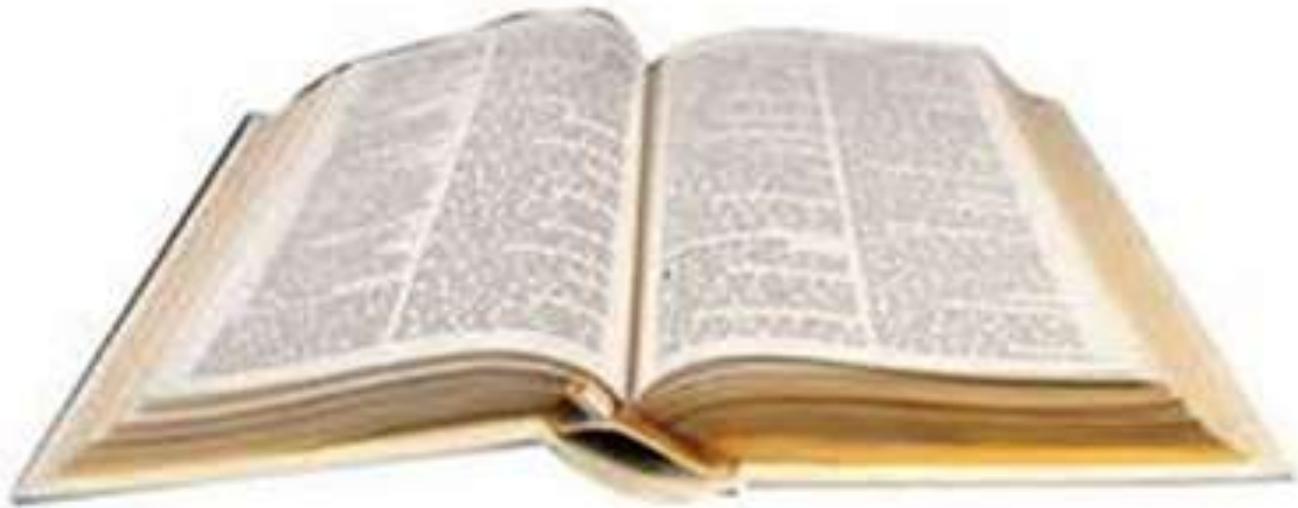


**Give us a sign from heaven !**

**Luke 11: 16, 29-36**



Others tested him by asking for a sign from heaven

Luke 11:16

**Sceptical - unbelieving - resistant.**



As the crowds increased, Jesus said,  
"This is a wicked generation. It asks for a sign."



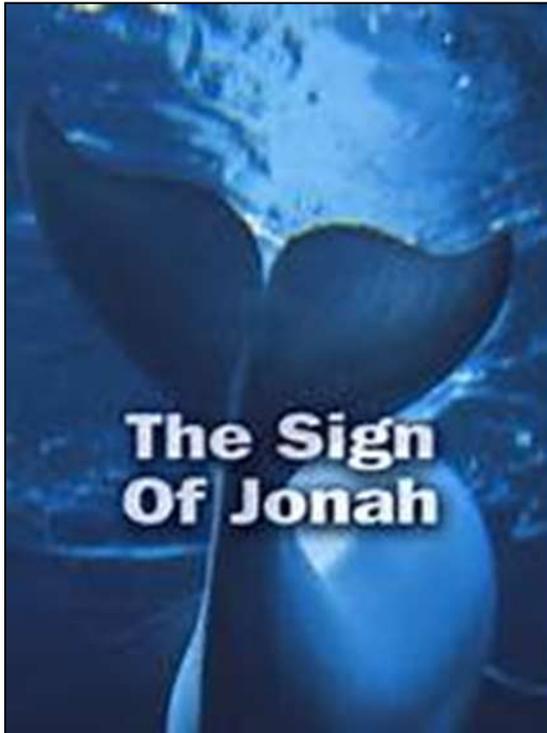
**Why does Jesus call it a wicked generation?**

but none will be given it except the sign of Jonah.  
For as Jonah was a sign to the Ninevites,  
so also will the Son of Man be to this generation.

**The only 'evidence' they will be given**

**Jonah was a sign**

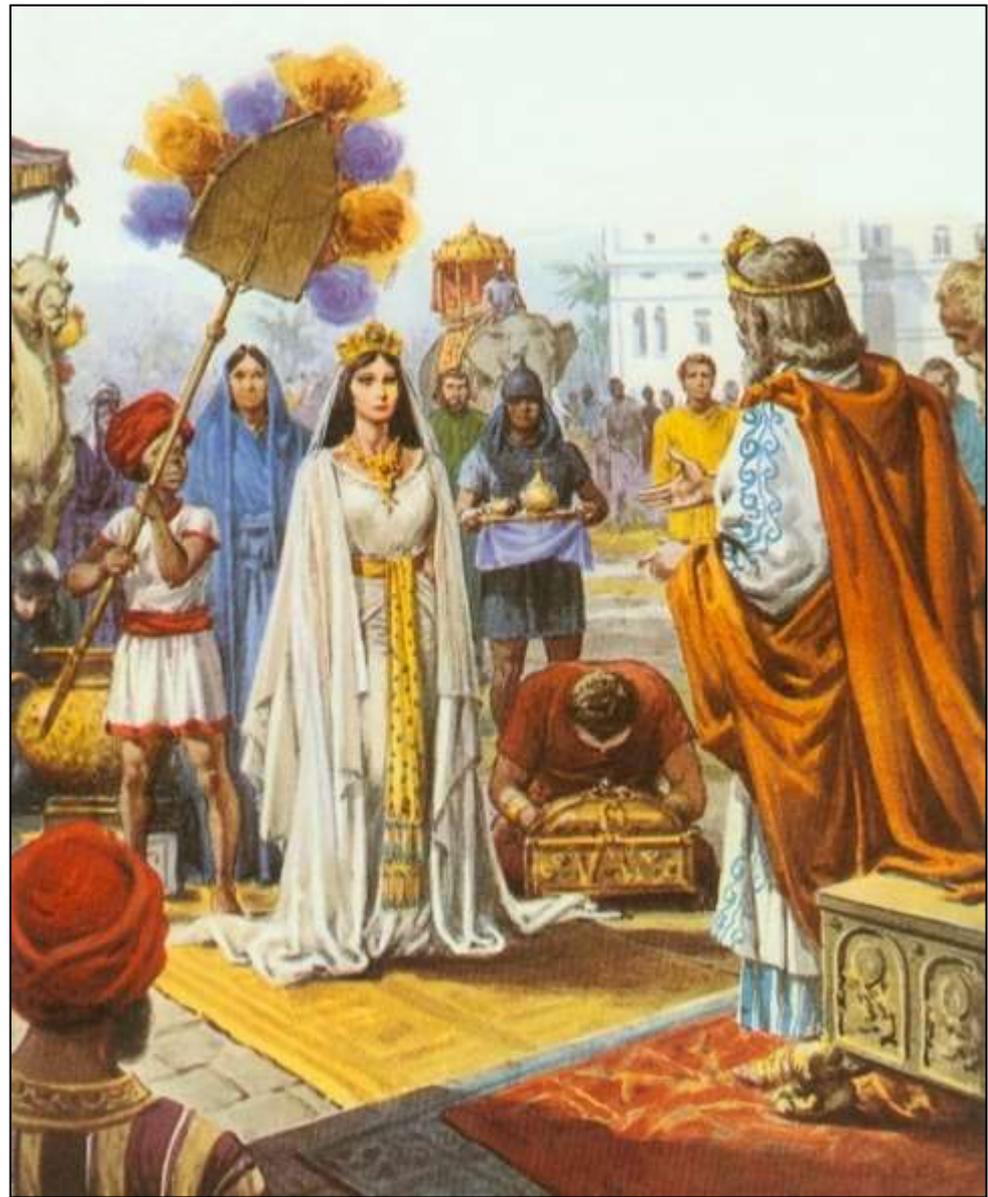
**Jesus the Messiah will be the same**



The Queen of the South will rise at the judgment with the people of this generation and condemn them, for she came from the ends of the earth to listen to Solomon's wisdom; and now something greater than Solomon is here.

**Contrast a gentile queen's search for truth**

**No excuse!**



**General resurrection of the dead - lost and saved**

The men of Nineveh will stand up at the judgment  
with this generation



## **The General Resurrection**

**Reality of the Jonah narrative “real people” “real lives”  
“real response to message” “real eternal consequences”**

The men of Nineveh will stand up at the judgment with this generation and condemn it

Those people so favoured but rejected because of the sin of refusing to trust Jesus.

“Condemned”  
to what ?

Hell

Eternal separation



for they repented at the preaching of Jonah;  
and now something greater than Jonah is here.



**“Repentance” is the key to receiving  
forgiveness and eternal life (to know God)**

**Jonah was a prophet of God**

**Jesus is THE Prophet – the Son (Hebrews 1)**

## **A practical illustration with a powerful message**

No one lights a lamp and puts it in a place where it will be hidden, or under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, so that those who come in may see the light.



**I'm not hiding my light – the problem lies with you**

Your eye is the lamp of your body. When your eyes are healthy, your whole body also is full of light. But when they are unhealthy, your body also is full of darkness. See to it, then, that the light within you is not darkness.

**Eye trouble and a darkened mind and heart.**

**Do you get it ?**

**See to it that you do – dire consequences**



## **The blessing of grace – full day light inside and out.**

Therefore, if your whole body is full of light,  
and no part of it dark, it will be just as full of light  
as when a lamp shines its light on you.



**Have you seen the light?**



**Repentance to God & Faith in Jesus Christ**