### AMAZING GRACE

### The Grace of God's Judgment (Jonah 1:1-17)

"Grace is God's free and unmerited favor shown to guilty sinners who deserve only judgment. It is the love of God shown to the unlovely. It is God reaching downward to people who are in rebellion against Him."

Jerry Bridges, Transforming Grace



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#### **Deuteronomy 28:15**

"But if you will not obey the voice of the LORD your God or be careful to do all his commandments and his statutes that I command you today, then all these curses shall come upon you and overtake you."

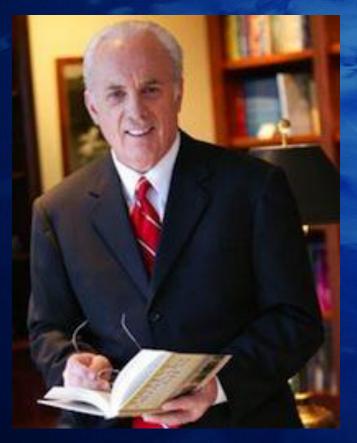
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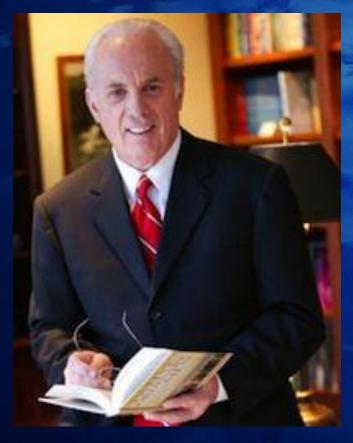
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#### **Proverbs 24:33-34**

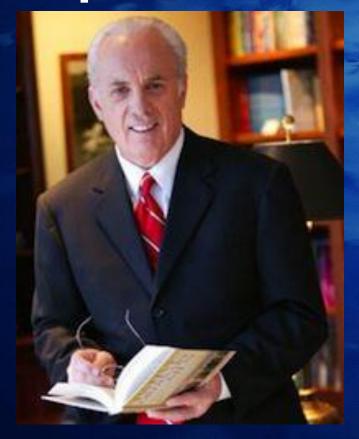
"A little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to rest, and poverty will come upon you like a robber, and want like an armed man." "This storm that slammed into the helpless ship was something massive, some kind of a barricade of on-coming water, the likes of which they likely had never seen. Tongue and groove planks ..."



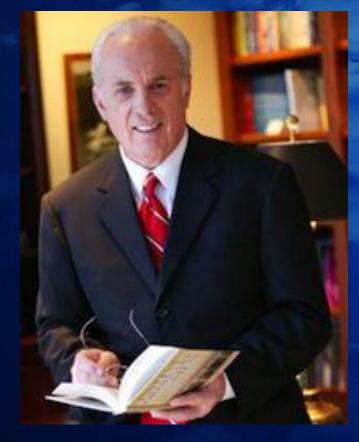
"... that composed the ship would have begun to splinter and pull apart under the overwhelming pressure and crashing of these waves – wave after wave after wave, crashing on the decks, ..."



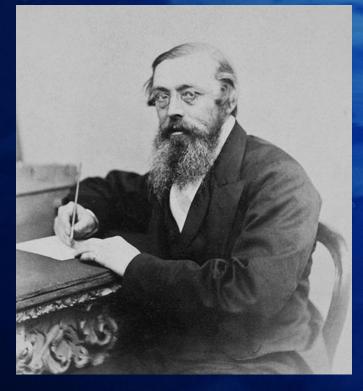
"... the crew becoming white-knuckled, panicked, unable to do anything as far as normal course of action to defend themselves. They cried out in a panicked desperation. This storm must have ..."



"... felt supernatural, and maybe a little bit personal to them. It must have been, they thought, some god that was offended."

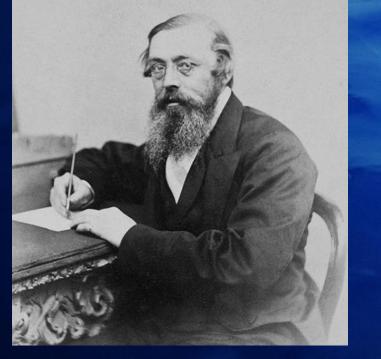


"A Hebrew rebuked by a heathen! A Hebrew prophet by a heather mariner! Yes; but there is more in it than that. It is a Hebrew prophet fleeing from a commission to reprove a heathen city, himself reproved by a ..."



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"...heathen! Surely it is punishing his sin in kind. It is graving his libel on the rod that punishes his offense. Verily it is his sin finding him out."



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#### Proverbs 16:33

"The lot is cast into the lap, but its every decision is from the LORD."

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 God's judgment brings personal <u>consequences</u> (vs. 12-16).



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