



JONAH AND THE WHALE

Bass

JONAH 2:10

*Then the Lord ordered the fish
to spit Jonah up on the beach,
and it did.*

There are so many great stories in the Bible; some are so well known that they can't be left out. Jonah and the Whale is one of those. I thought about doing Jonah inside the whale or Jonah being swallowed by the whale but I decided I would like to show Jonah giving thanks for his life having been spared.

I had to show the whale in water deep enough so that it didn't look like it was beached, and shallow enough where Jonah kneeled, all ragged and exhausted from his ordeal. That's why I chose to show just the tail fin to be symbolic of the whole whale and the shape of the tail fin indicating the direction away from Jonah.

I thought about using a darker wood for the ocean and a lighter colored wood for Jonah and the whale's tail, which would have given more contrast. But, as stated before, I prefer to use solid blocks of wood for my sculptures.