

Word Study

Whale/ Great Fish

Great Fish

Jonah 1:17 Now the LORD had prepared a [great fish](#) to swallow up Jonah. And Jonah was in the belly of the fish three days and three nights.

FISH

01709 דָּג *dawg* or (fully) דָּאָג *da'g* (#[Ne 13:16](#)) *dawg*
from [01711](#); n
AV-fish 20; 20

GREAT

01419 גָּדוֹל *gadowl gaw-dole'* or (shortened) גָּדֹל *gadol gaw-dole'*
from [01431](#);
AV-great 397, high 22, greater 19, loud 9, greatest 9, elder 8, great man 8, mighty 7, eldest 6,
misc 44; 529
adj
1) great 1a) large (in magnitude and extent)
1b) in number 1c) in intensity 1d) loud (in sound) 1e) older (in age) 1f) in importance
1f1) important things 1f2) great, distinguished (of men)

HEBREW

[08577](#) תַּנִּינַיִם *tanniyn tan-noon'* or תַּנִּימִים *tanniym* (#[Eze 29:3](#)) *tan-neem'*
intensive from the same as [08565](#); n m
AV-dragon 21, serpent 3, whale 3, sea monster 1; 28

- 1) dragon, serpent, sea monster
 - 1a) dragon or dinosaur
 - 1b) sea or river monster

GREEK

[08565](#) τῆν *tan tan*
from an unused root probably meaning to elongate; TWOT-2528a; n m
AV-whale 1; 1
1) dragon, maybe the extinct dinosaur the plesiosaurus, whale

Job 7:12 *Am I a sea, or a [whale](#), that you set a watch over me?*

Ezekiel 32:2 Son of man, take up a lamentation for Pharaoh king of Egypt, and say unto him,
Thou art like a young lion of the nations, and thou *art* as a [whale](#) in the seas: and thou camest
forth with thy rivers, and troubledst the waters with thy feet, and fouledst their rivers.

[2785](#) κητος *ketos kay'-tos*
probably from the base of [5490](#); ;n
AV-whale 1; 1

- 1) a sea monster, whale, huge fish Matthew 12:40 For as Jonas was three days and three nights in the [whale's](#) belly; so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth.

5490 χάσμα chasma khas'-mah

from a form of an obsolete primary chao (to "gape" or "yawn"); ;n n

AV-gulf 1; 1

1) a gaping opening, a chasm, a gulf

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