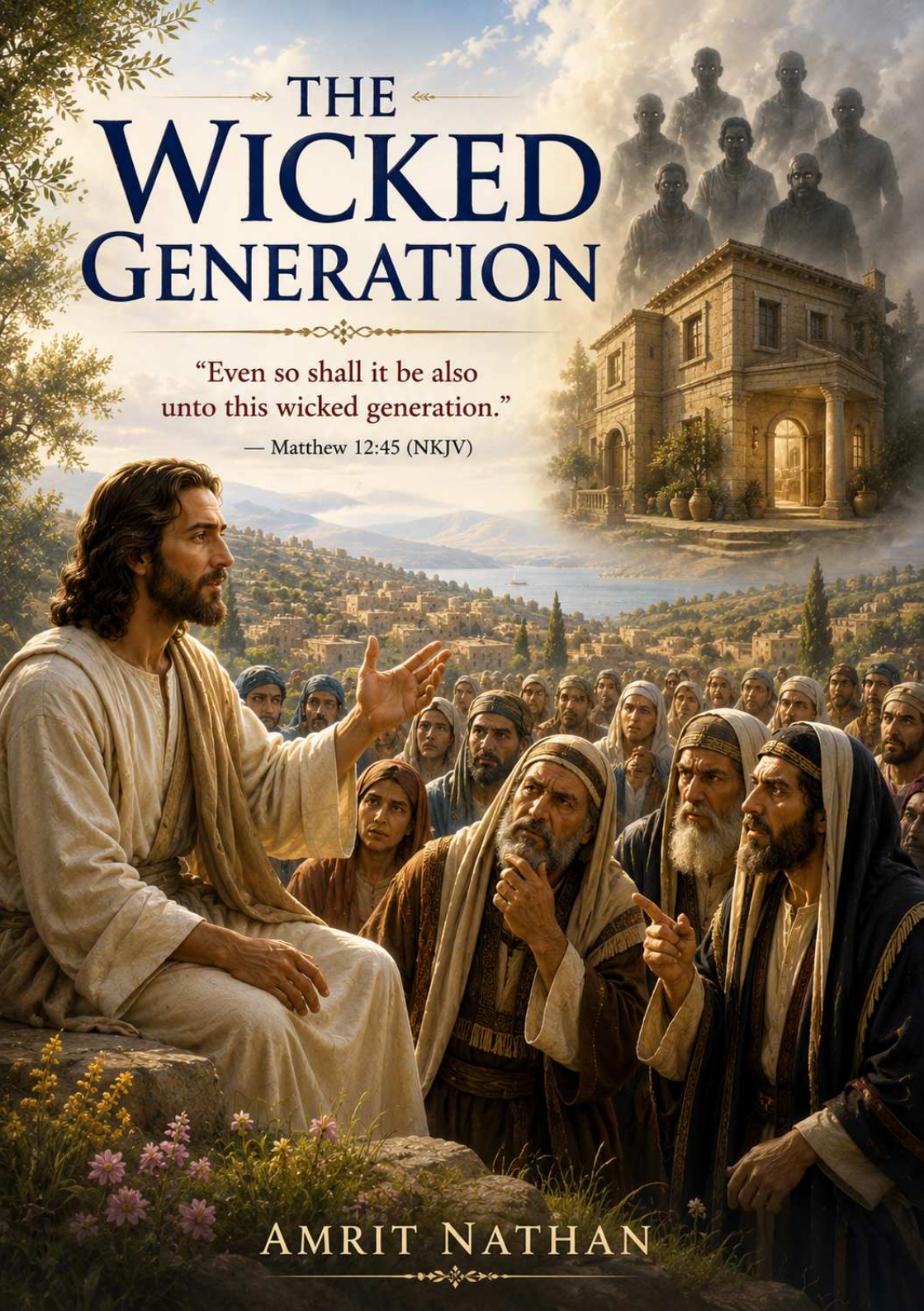
THE WICKED GENERATION

"Even so shall it be also unto this wicked generation."

— Matthew 12:45 (NKJV)

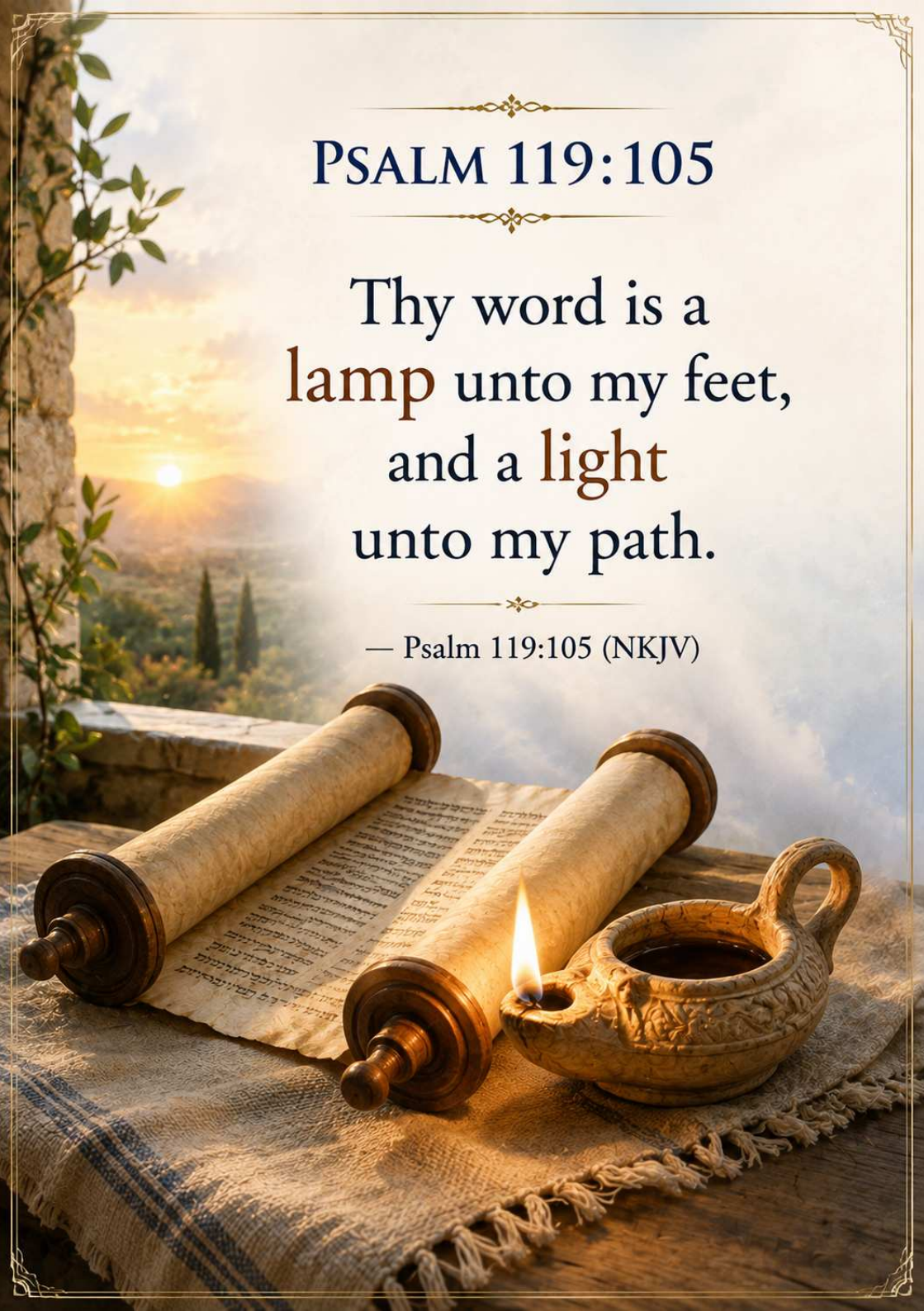


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Psalm 119:105

Thy word is a
lamp unto my feet,
and a light
unto my path.

— Psalm 119:105 (NKJV)



Why Did Yahshua Call them

WICKED?



The Pharisees and experts in the law came to Yahshua and said,

"Teacher, we want to see a sign from You."

— Matthew 12:38 (NKJV)

Yahshua replied,

"An evil and adulterous generation seeks for a sign…"

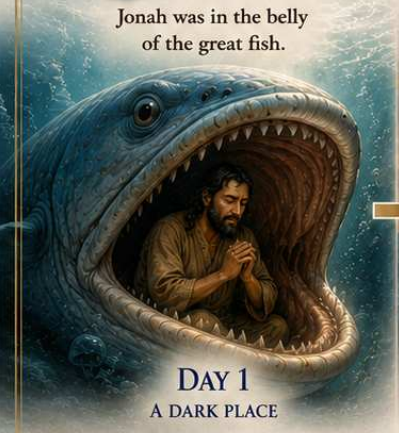
— Matthew 12:39 (NKJV)

Yahshua had already given them **ONE SIGN** — the Sign of Jonah.

The Only Sign He Gave them

The Sign of Jonah

Three Days and Three Nights



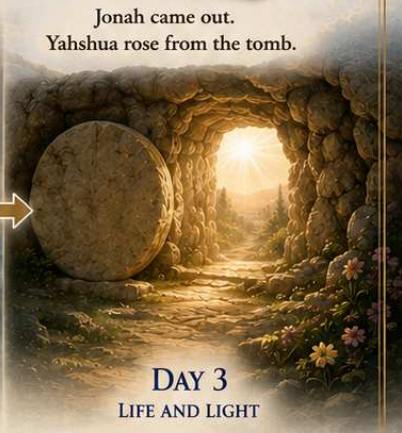
Jonah was in the belly of the great fish.

Day 1
A dark place



Jonah was in the belly of the great fish.

Days 2 & 3
Three days and three nights



Jonah came out. Yahshua rose from the tomb.

Day 3
Life and light

The men of Nineveh understood the message and *repented.*

But this generation rejected the Sign, though it had been clearly given.

Their problem was not asking for a sign — it was refusing the sign that Yahshua Himself had given them.

Was their wickedness in ASKING for a sign...
or in REFUSING the sign once it had been given?

The Empty House

Why Did Yahshua Call them Wicked?

Yahshua did not stop there. He immediately told them what would happen to that generation.

1 The Spirit went out

"When an unclean spirit goes out of a man, he goes through dry places, seeking rest, and finds none."
— Matthew 12:43 (NKJV)



The unclean spirit goes out into a dry and lonely place.

Why did the unclean spirit leave?
Because a stronger Spirit had displaced him. Yahshua said, *"No one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his goods unless he first binds the strong man."* — Mark 3:27 (NKJV)

2 The Spirit Returned

"I will return to my house from which I came."
— Matthew 12:44 (NKJV)



But he finds the house:

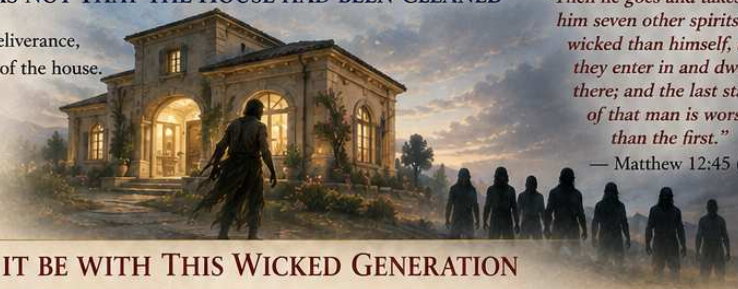
- ✓ Empty
- ✓ Swept
- ✓ Put in Order

Everything looks right.
Everything is in order.

Except for one thing...
The house is Empty.

3 The Danger was not That the House had been Cleaned

The problem was this: after deliverance, nothing had taken possession of the house.
The old occupant had gone.
The house had been cleaned.
But it remained **EMPTY.**



"Then he goes and takes with him seven other spirits more wicked than himself, and they enter in and dwell there; and the last state of that man is worse than the first."
— Matthew 12:45 (NKJV)

So Shall it be with This Wicked Generation





The Generation	The Sign was Given	The Sign was Rejected
They sought a sign, yet refused the Sign given.	The Sign of Jonah – Three days and three nights.	They rejected it, and left the house empty.

"And the last state of that man is worse than the first. So shall it also be with this wicked generation."
— Matthew 12:45 (NKJV)



A Clean House is Not Enough.

It must be occupied.
Who, then, should dwell within?

The answer begins on the next page. ➡

From Darkness — Through the Waters — Into the Spirit

"And darkness was on the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters."
— Genesis 1:2 (NKJV)



Why was the Spirit Hovering Over the Waters?

As a bird hovers over the surface seeking what lies beneath, this study sees in Genesis 1:2 a picture of souls held beneath the waters, awaiting deliverance.

Yahshua Demonstrated the Pattern

"When He had been baptized, Yahshua came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened to Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting upon Him."
— Matthew 3:16 (NKJV)



- **Heaven** — The heavens are opened.
- **The Spirit Descends** — Like a dove.
- **Yahshua Rises** — Immediately from the water.
- **The Waters** — The surface of the waters.
- **The Deep** — Souls held beneath the waters.

He Came

Not to be served, but to seek and to save that which was lost.
— Luke 19:10

Yahshua went down into the waters and came up again, bringing deliverance to those held captive beneath.

Believe and Be Baptized

"He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned."
— Mark 16:16 (NKJV)



The Sign of Jonah — Three Days and Three Nights

Believe the sign Yahshua gave.



1. **Goes Down** — Into the water.
2. **Buried** — Beneath the water.
3. **Rises** — Into new life.



As he rises from the water, the Holy Spirit fills and occupies what must no longer remain empty.

The Empty House

The danger of leaving the house empty.



"Then he goes and takes with him seven other spirits more wicked than himself, and they enter in and dwell there; and the last state of that man is worse than the first."
— Matthew 12:45 (NKJV)

The Choice

Empty | **Filled**

The Occupied House

The blessing of having the Spirit within.



"Do you not know that you are the temple of God and that the Spirit of God dwells in you?"
— 1 Corinthians 3:16 (NKJV)



This generation received the greatest revelation:



The Scriptures — The Prophets — The Miracles — The Sign — Yahshua Himself

Yet they rejected the Sign He gave them.

"So shall it also be with this wicked generation." — Matthew 12:45

The Sign Has Been Given.

Believe.
Obey.
Be baptized.
Do not leave the house empty.



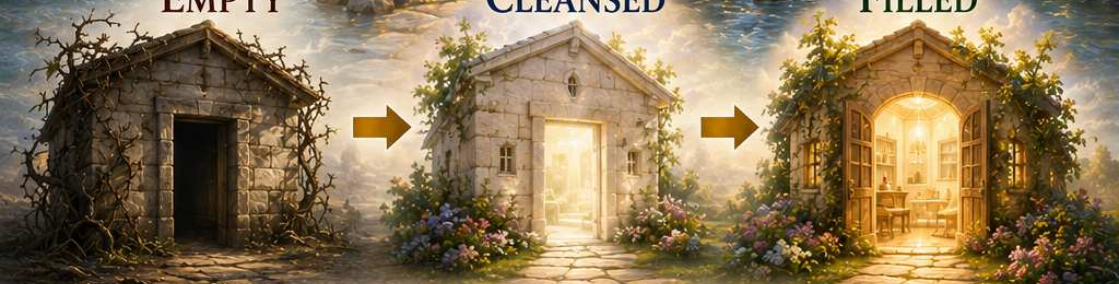
"I will put My Spirit within you…" — Ezekiel 36:27

"I Will put My Spirit within You."

Ezekiel 36:26-27 (NKJV)

26 "I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you; I will take the heart of stone out of your flesh and give you a heart of flesh.

27 I will put My Spirit within you and cause you to walk in My statutes, and you will keep My judgments and do them."



The House Belongs to Him.