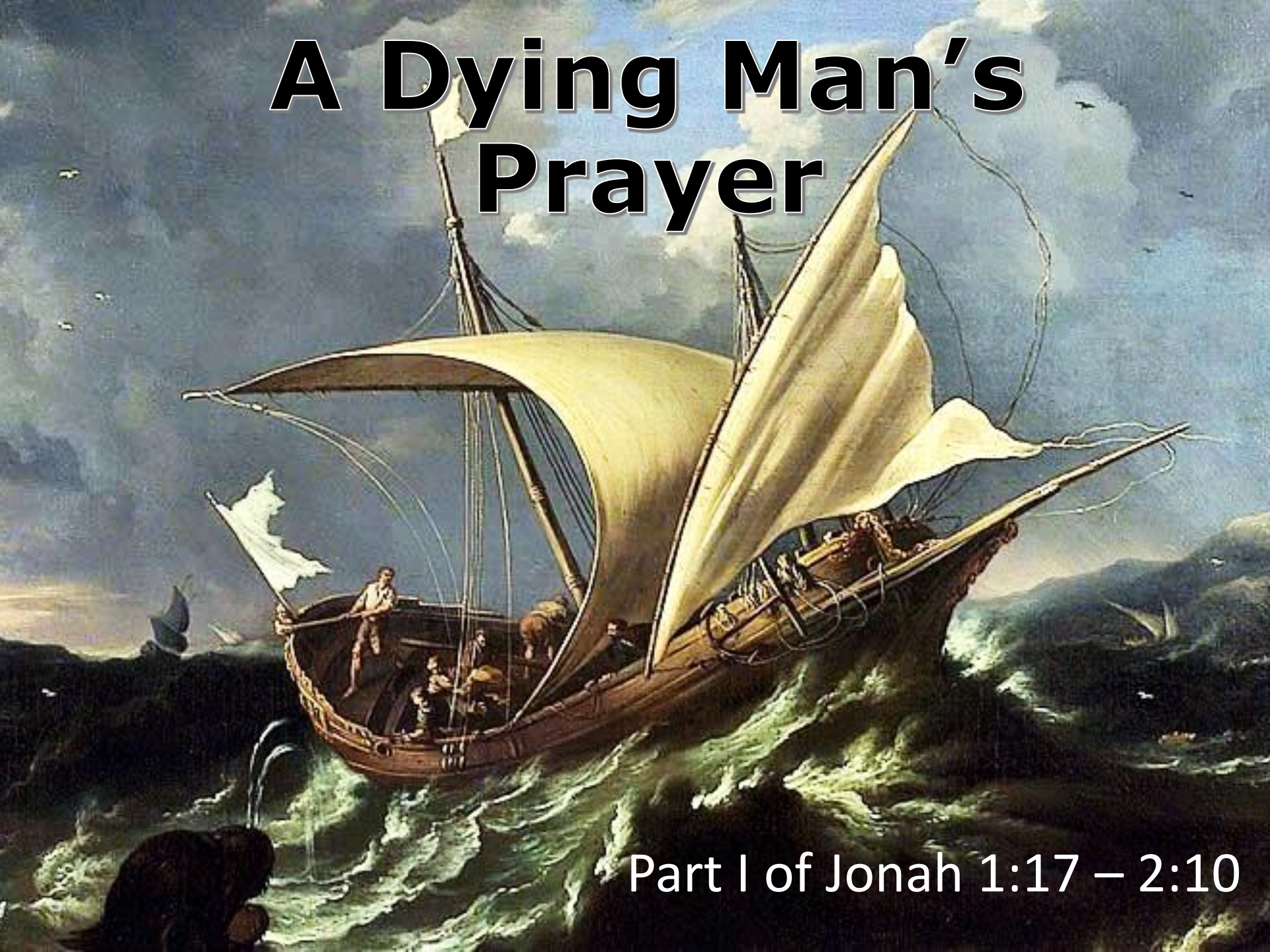


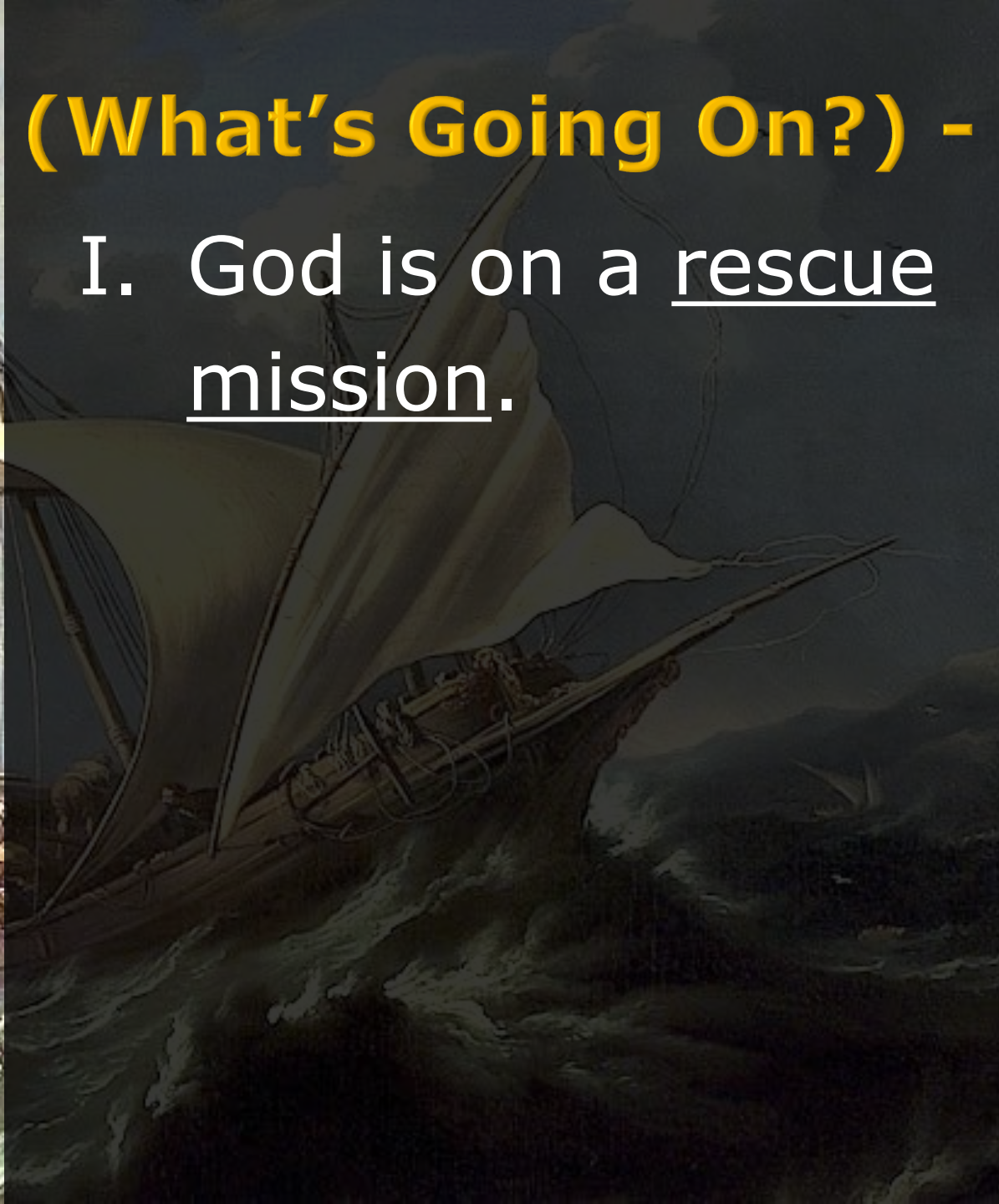
A Dying Man's Prayer



Part I of Jonah 1:17 – 2:10

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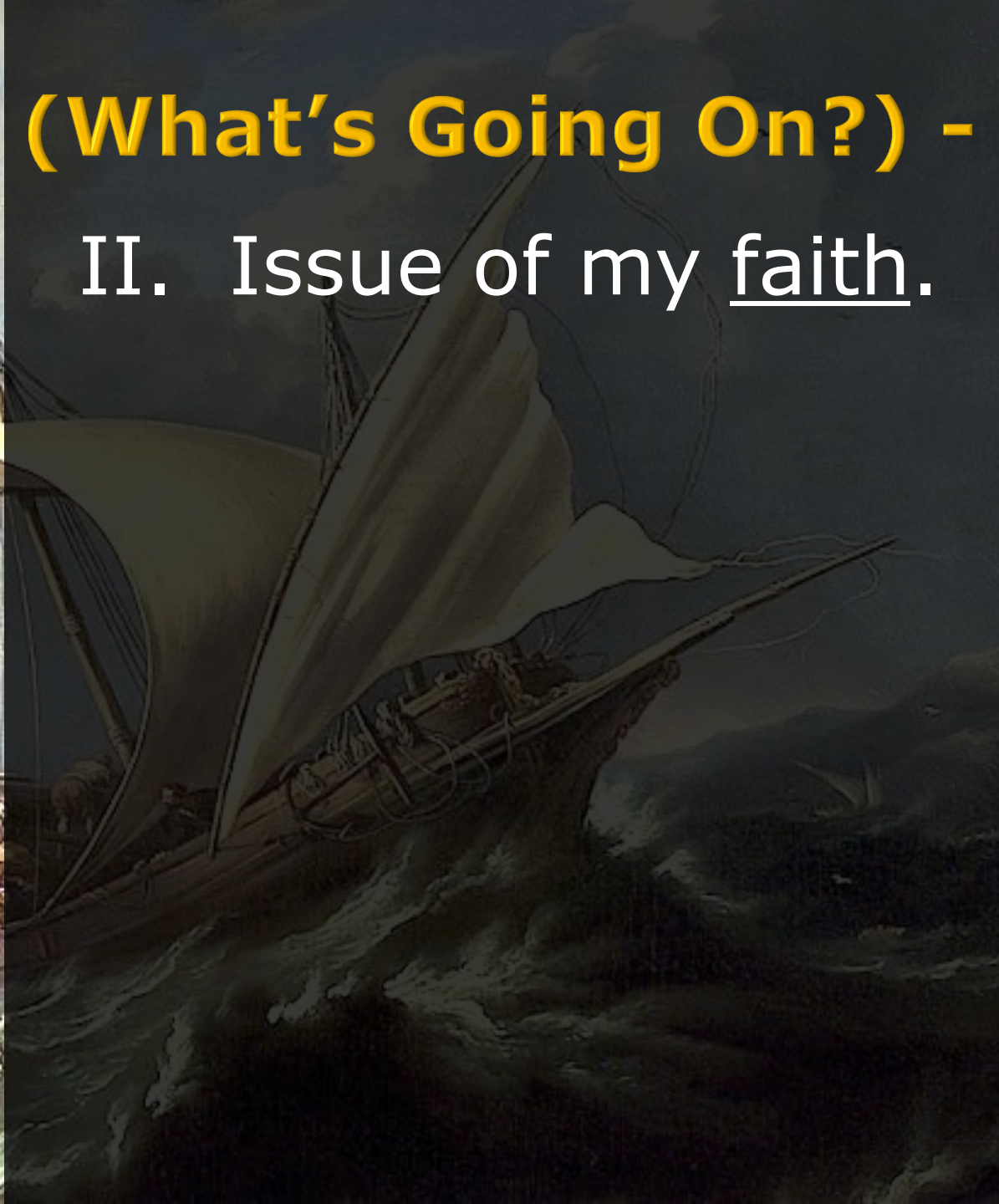
- CAUTION: Don't give the fish more attention than Jonah, and don't give Jonah more attention than God!

Isaiah 53:10

10 But the LORD was pleased to crush Him, putting *Him* to grief; if He would render Himself *as* a guilt offering, He will see *His* offspring, He will prolong *His* days, and the good pleasure of the LORD will prosper in His hand.

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“A more popular approach has been to suggest that the whole book is a literary fiction, and ought not to be viewed as historical. Although this position enjoys widespread support, it is questionable whether the author of Jonah envisaged his account as anything other than factual. Other more ingenious, but even less satisfactory, solutions have been offered. It has been suggested, for example, that Jonah recovered from his ordeal at sea by spending three days and nights in an inn called ‘The Fish’.” – Tyndale Old Testament Commentaries, p. 122

Hebrews 11:6

6 And without faith it is impossible to please *Him*, for he who comes to God must believe that He is and *that* He is a rewarder of those who seek Him.



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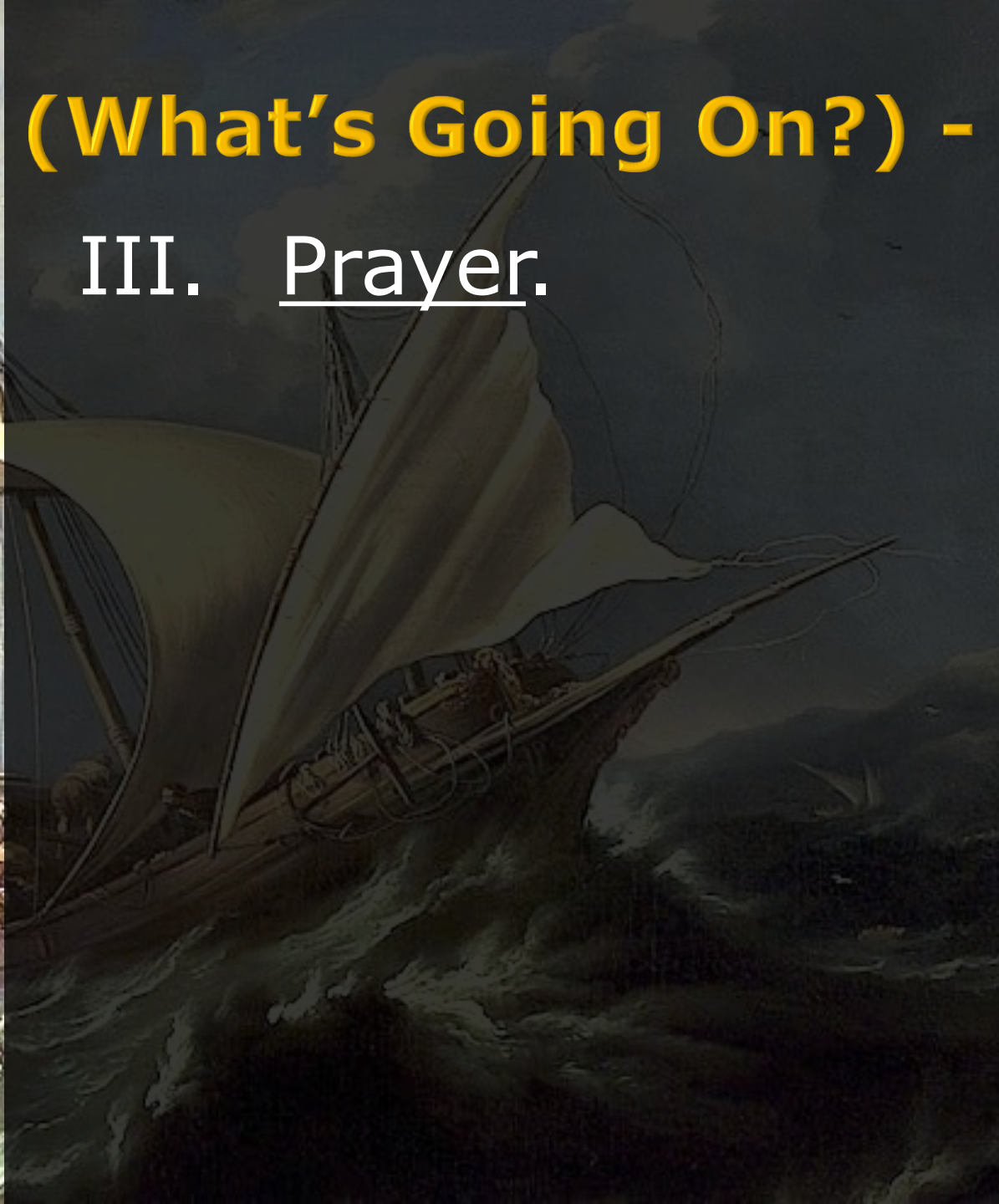
- Is anything too difficult for the Lord? (Gen. 18:14a)

Matthew 12:40

40 for just as JONAH WAS THREE DAYS AND THREE NIGHTS IN THE BELLY OF THE SEA MONSTER, SO will the Son of Man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth.

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III. Prayer.



The background of the slide is a dramatic painting. It depicts a large wooden sailing ship, possibly the Arcturion, being lifted out of the water by a giant, dark, muscular hand emerging from the sea. The ship's bow is high in the air, and its sails are partially unfurled. A man stands on the deck of the ship, looking towards the viewer. In the foreground, a dark, rocky outcrop with a small figure on it is visible. The sky is dark and cloudy, with a few birds flying. The overall mood is one of awe and divine intervention.

(What's Going On?) -

III. Prayer.

- A prayer of thanksgiving.