

Don't You Forget Your Fishing Pole

I'll tell you a story about Jonah, bold
A mighty prophet who was getting old
One day God said, "Jonah, you're Nineveh bent"
Just as he was planning his retirement.
Just as he was planning his retirement.

Jonah said "God, that is a sinful nation.
I hear they are a `not for prophets' organization."
Though he promised to embark that very day,
He bought a ticket on a boat going the other way.
He bought a ticket on a boat going the other way.

Chorus

Fear is like a fish that's as big as can be
Sometimes it seems it will swallow you whole
So next time you're out in the stormy sea
Don't you forget your fishing pole.
Don't you forget your fishing pole.

God, she was no dummy, she let Jonah go
Cause she knew what was waiting in the waters below
'Twas a great, big fish and his name was Fear
And he hadn't had a prophet for many a year.
And he hadn't had a prophet for many a year.

Jonah's ship sailed right into a storm.
The sailors did not think he was a good luck charm
So they threw him over board so that the sky would clear
He fell right in the jaws of the big fish, Fear.
He fell right in the jaws of the big fish, Fear.

Chorus.....

Jonah he found himself in such distress
His bible was all soggy and his shoes were a mess
So he did the one thing that a prophet does best
He prayed to the Lord for deliverance.
He prayed to the Lord for deliverance.

The poor fish felt as sick as could be
'Twas the worst meal he ever got out of the sea,
With a pain in his belly he did not know what to do
So the fish began to pray for deliverance to....
So the fish began to pray for deliverance to....

Chorus....

God heard them praying with all their might
But she put them on hold for three days and three nights
Till she finally relented and granted their wish
She was still angry at Jonah but felt sorry for the fish.
She was still angry at Jonah but felt sorry for the fish.

So she gave old Fear the hick-ups from his stem to his stern
Tell he belched up the source of his bad heart burn
It was then that Jonah realized what swallowed him down
Was in fact a water taxi to Nineveh Town
Chorus.....

Jonah preached as he knew he should
And the Ninevites repented just as God said they would
Then one day Jonah left with his tackle and fly
Saying "Now I've got a bigger fish to fry.
Saying "Now I've got a bigger fish to fry.

Now I shall tell you the moral of this tale:
Whether your fear is small or is as large as a whale
If your slightly apprehensive or are facing the worst
You must swallow your fear before it swallows you first.
You must swallow your fear before it swallows you first.
Chorus

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