"Then certain of the scribes and of the Pharisees answered, saying, 'Master, we would see <u>a sign</u> from Thee.' But He answered and said unto them, 'An evil and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given to it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas." Matthew 12:38-39 KJV



Jonah was swallowed by "a great fish" for three days and nights. Like Jonah, Christ was swallowed by the grave for three days and nights and by His own power He

rose from the dead and "appeared to many!" His tomb stands empty, today! They have yet to produce a tomb of His remains. The tombs of all great leaders are revered and visited. Islam's Muhammad supposedly flew to heaven, but his bones are visited by millions annually. All other great spiritual leaders died and were buried and they remain so. Their tombs are sealed. One tomb is still empty. There are no bones or remnants of burial. The very Roman soldiers charged to guard His body upon pain of death, were paid handsomely to spread the rumor His body was stolen. What were the Pharisees afraid of? They clamored for a sign, but when Jesus gave them the greatest sign ever given, they tried desperately to cover it up. Did they truly desire proof? Were they at all interested in the truth? The wicked demand "proof," but in their hearts they do not wish it, because when it is delivered they stand condemned by their own rhetoric! The wicked still seek a sign and Satan is more than obliging. Angelic apparitions appear globally enthralling and inspiring thousands of the so-called faithful. If they were truly faithful, they would know that God deals in miracles of the heart, and that true faith believes in the "unseen" hand of God. "Faith is the ... evidence of things NOT SEEN!" If you can see it, it's probably from Satan. The empty tomb still remains the greatest single piece of physical evidence of the Resurrection of Jesus, but is itself NOT a sign. Christ was "seen of many" crucified and "seen of many" resurrected. We have several authenticated eyewitness affidavits. It is an historical fact better documented than Columbus' voyage, yet men readily reject it. "Men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil." Satan's minions are hard at work giving "signs" to millions of evil doers, from bleeding statues to angelic apparitions, keeping them enslaved to their carnal lusts, and blinding them to the glorious Truth of the Gospel. The media is spouting volumes of doomsday rhetoric and God is no longer mentioned, while they attribute disasters to "mother nature," a term paganistic to its core. Who else controls nature? Who sends the rain, and the snow? Who set the laws of physics in the beginning? Who still sits on the Throne of Heaven? Whose Word binds the universe together? To not attribute nature's disasters to God is blasphemy. He alone is in charge of the elements. Did He not calm the stormy sea? Who are we to question His actions? The laws of the physical universe were riveted in place "in the beginning" by the Word of God and are still being enforced by the power of that Word. "The heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same Word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the Day of Judgment and perdition of ungodly men. The day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up." Nothing is out of control. It is still ALL controlled by God's Word!

> The wicked say they seek a sign, But one's been giv'n by power Divine, The resurrection of our Lord, Is proof enough of God's own Word. ~*CGP*

Our faith itself is the evidence that God is. If we have it, we know it is in our hearts by the very hand of God. There is no other explanation for its existence.

"Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." Hebrews 11:1 KJV