

Our Hope Secured in God

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TEXT: Jeremiah 29:1-14

INTRO

The Burden

We are _____ and cannot know the future. Our tendency is to take _____ of our lives and our future.

The Big Idea

God has a _____ for us. He gives us a _____ and a _____ in Him. He is in control. Therefore, we can _____ Him.

OUTLINE

*What does God want for His people in exile back then, and for us today?

I. To _____ their _____ (29:4-6)

Verse 4, “*Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel, to all the exiles whom I have sent into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon:*”

“*...Build houses and live in them...*” (v.5)

“*...plant gardens and eat their produce...*” (v.5)

“*...Take wives and have sons and daughters...*” (v.6)

“*...take wives for your sons, and give your daughters in marriage, that they may bear sons and daughters...*” (v.6)

“*...multiply there, and do not decrease...*” (v.6)

We are all called

- To _____
- To be _____ of the world (Matthew 5:13-14)
- To be _____ (John 1:12)
- To be _____ (2 Corinthians 5:20).

John 17, “*...in the world, but **not of the world**...*”

Philippians 3:20, “*We are **citizens** of heaven...*”

II. To _____ them to _____ (29:7)

Verse 7, “*But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and PRAY to the Lord on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare.*”

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We are also commanded,

1 Timothy 2:1-3,

"I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people, or kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. This is good, and pleases God our Savior, who wants all people to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth."

III. To _____ the false _____ (29:8, 15-23, 24-32)

Chapter 29, **Who they are.**

Verse 8, *"For thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Do not let your prophets and your diviners who are among you deceive you, and do not listen to the dreams that they dream..."*

- _____
- _____
- _____

Chapter 23, **What they do.**

They _____ lies in the Lord's name (23:25-26)

- a) v.25-26, *"...prophecy lies in [the Lord's] name..."*
- b) v.32, *"...lead [the Lord's] people astray by their lies..."*
- c) v.32, *"...[the Lord] did not send them..."* (also 29:8)

They _____ false hopes and dreams (23:16, 25, 27-28, 32)

- d) v.16, *"...vain hopes...speaks vision in their own minds"*
- e) v.25, *"...prophesied lies...I have dreamed, I have dreamed!"*
- f) v.32, *"...lying dreams..."*

They _____ the words of the Living God (23:30, 36)

- g) v.30, they *"...steal [God's] words from one another."*
- h) v.36, they *"...pervert the words of the living God..."*

The DIFFERENCE,

False Prophets have _____ with God.

Jeremiah has a _____ with God.

Warren Wiersbe said

"The false prophets preached what the people *wanted* to hear, but Jeremiah preached what the people *needed* to hear."

"...speak MY word FAITHFULLY" (v.28),

Matthew 7:21-23,

"Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. On that day, many will say to me, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many mighty works in your name?' And then will I declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from me, you workers of lawlessness.'"

IV. To _____ to them a _____ (29: 10-14, Chapters 30-31)

"Even though we don't know what the future holds, we know who holds our future."

A promise of _____ and a _____.

Verses 10-14,

"For thus says the Lord: When seventy years are completed for Babylon, I will visit you, and I will fulfill to you my PROMISE and bring you back to this place. For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a FUTURE and a HOPE. —> Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will hear you. You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart. I will be found by you, declares the Lord, and I will restore your fortunes and gather you from all the nations and all the places where I have driven you, declares the Lord, and I will bring you back to the place from which I sent you into exile."

In Jesus, there is _____ and _____ between God and sinful man.

Romans 5:1-2, 10-11

"Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God...For if, while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation."

CONCLUSION

- God's promise is _____ in Jesus.
- God wants a genuine _____ relationship, not a recovered ruin.
- Heaven is being in the eternal reality of the Holy Presence of God and your _____ with Him.

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APPLICATION

_____ to Jesus

_____ in Jesus

Proverbs 3:5-6, *“Trust in the Lord and lean not on your own understanding, in all your ways, acknowledge Him.”*

Matthew 11:28-30, *“Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”*

_____ the world about Jesus.

*God has a plan for us while we are in this world. He is in control; therefore, we can trust Him. Our hope and future is secured in Jesus. He will come back again to take with Him His Church to be with Him forever. We are not abandoned. We are not forsaken. We are safe and secure.

God bless!