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JEREMIAH 24

## GOD HAS OUR BEST INTEREST AT HEART

Through Jeremiah, God taught 2 lessons by using figs in the baskets. One basket had extremely good figs while the other basket contained rotten figs.

The good figs represented the Jews who were captured in Babylon. God was actually looking favourably upon those who had been taken captive. While they thought that they were very unlucky, God's plan was beyond that. God meant good. Jeremiah let the captives know that God had sent them to Babylon to save them and not to make them fall into disobedience. Eventually, God brought them back to the Promised Land.

The rotten figs represented king Zedekiah and all those who remained in Judah. Due to their disobedience, they would experience nothing but trouble and hardship, violent death, famine and disease. Eventually, none of them would inhabit the land of their inheritance.

Time and time again, God reminds us that we can rest in the assurance that He is a good God. The process might be painful but do not reject God. Keep holding on to your faith and trust the One who holds your future because God truly has our best interest at heart.

### Key verse:

*Psalm 9:10*

*Those who know the Lord trust Him. He will not leave those who come to Him.*

### Prayer

*Dear God,  
when I do not understand what I am going through, teach me to just trust and obey You because I know You truly have my best interest at heart. Amen.*





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**JEREMIAH 27:1-5**

## SUPREME CREATOR

When you cook some yummy food or bake some delish cupcakes, you can choose whom you want to share the food with and what you want to do with the food. The decision is in your hands because you are the one who made it

Through Jeremiah, God reminded His people that God is the Creator of all the earth and all that is in it. He can give any part of it to whomever He desires. The creation must obey its Creator. God did not only create the earth, but mankind as well. He can do with His creation whatever He wishes.

God is the Creator and He is sovereign. That means when Israel was given over to Babylon for a specified time and for a specific purpose, it was God's sovereign decision. The purpose was for Israel to repent from their sin and return to the Lord.


May it become a reminder to us also that everything that we see and enjoy at the moment belongs to God. As His beloved children, we should praise and bless Him for His sovereignty and majestic power!

### **Key verse:**

*Jeremiah 27:5  
I made the earth and all the people on it. I made all the animals on the earth. I did this with My great power and My strong arm. I can give the earth to anyone I want.*

### **Prayer**

*Dear God, how wonderful and marvelous You are! My hope is always in You for You are the Supreme Creator of everything.  
Amen.*





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**JEREMIAH 28**

## LISTEN TO WHAT YOU NEED TO HEAR

Both Jeremiah and Hananiah were God's prophets. Hananiah claimed that God told him that in 2 years God was going to free them from Babylon's captivity while Jeremiah said that they were going to be under Babylon for 70 years. It looked that Hananiah's prophecy was more hopeful and encouraging but was it really from God? Verses 12 to 17 write that Jeremiah was the one whom God spoke to and the one who told the truth.

Sometimes, what you want to hear is not the truth as some truth can be harsh. Or you prefer hearing and accepting something that is pleasing to your ear rather than the facts. In this case, what you want to hear is not actually what you need to hear.

As children of God, we should have the understanding of what is right and what is wrong. It is not about what you want to hear. Rather, it is about what you need to hear. When you are open to what you need to hear, it leads you to the truth. If you are only open to what you want to hear, it leads to destruction.

**Key verse:**

*Jeremiah 25:4  
The Lord  
has sent His  
servants the  
prophets to  
you over and  
over again.  
But you have  
not listened to  
them. You have  
not paid any  
attention to  
them.*

**Prayer**

*Dear God. I want  
to open my heart  
and always listen  
to Your word.  
Amen.*





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**JEREMIAH 29:10-14**

## GOD'S PLANS FOR ME

Jeremiah wrote a letter to God's people who were under Babylon's captivity, reminding them that although they were not where they expected to be, God had not forgotten them. Even amidst the hard situation, God's plan would stand. Jeremiah encouraged them that God's plans would always be good.

This verse is also for us. We cannot see the future, but God promises that God has a future and hope for each one of us. God sees our tomorrow before it becomes our today. He sees the beginning and the end of our lives, and He sees everything in between.

God wants you to know He has a plan and purpose for you. He has good things in store for your future. You just need to choose to believe that. When you start believing that, then you begin to realize that God has called you to something. As you walk daily in your relationship with God, He will begin to reveal His purpose to you.

So today, choose to believe that God loves you and that His purpose for your life is good!

### Key verse:

*Jeremiah 29:11*

*I have good plans for you. I don't plan to hurt you. I plan to give you hope and a good future.*

### Prayer

*Dear God, guide and lead each stop of my journey and days with a full trust in You till I reach the purposes of my life. Amen.*





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**JEREMIAH 30:23-24**

## SO THAT YOU UNDERSTAND

When you misbehave, your parents will tell you off to ensure that you do not do it again in the future. Do you know that, when your parents tell you off or scold you, it hurts their heart as much as you feel sad being scolded? But they have to do it anyway as this is one of the ways for you to grow up well and avoid any troubles in the future. You may not understand now but eventually, you will understand and will be thankful to your parents.

God's response to sin is like a parent's response to a misbehaving child. God loves us more than an earthly parent loves a child. Sins separate us from God and God loves us too much to let us stay separated from Him.

This is why when we misbehave, instead of leaving us in the lurch, God will come, correct and discipline us so that we can repent and be protected from troubles. You'll understand that all the corrections and disciplines are for your own good.

### **Key verse:**

*Jeremiah 30:24  
The fierce anger of the Lord will not turn back until he fully accomplishes the purposes of His heart.  
In days to come you will understand this.*

### **Prayer**

*Dear God,  
thank You for  
Your grace  
that is always  
sufficient in my  
weaknesses.  
Amen.*







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**JEREMIAH 32:17-21**

## YOU GOTTA HAVE FAITH

You had tried to solve a math problem for almost 30 minutes but couldn't get it right. You had practised for almost 48 times on the uneven bars in your gymnastic class but you were still far from good. It made you want to quit. The word "give up" kept replaying in your head.

When Jerusalem was under attack and filled with disease, Jeremiah was inside the prison. At that time, God told him to buy a land in Jerusalem. It didn't seem to make sense but Jeremiah trusted God and bought the land without delay. His action represented his faith and confidence in God's power to restore Jerusalem. Jeremiah said that nothing is too difficult for God.

Just like Jeremiah, you gotta have faith while facing your difficulties. The same God whom Jeremiah trusted is the same God who will help you with math, gymnastic or other things you have to face. Our steps of faith might look different from Jeremiah's, but our willingness to obey should be the same.

You gotta have faith in God as nothing is too difficult for Him!

### **Key verse:**

*Jeremiah 32:17  
Lord God, with  
Your great  
power You made  
the earth and  
the sky. There  
is nothing too  
hard for You  
to do.*

### **Prayer**

*Dear God, thank  
You for Your  
word that says  
that no matter  
how big my  
problems might  
seem, it is not  
too big for You  
to handle.  
I gotta keep  
my Faith in  
You.  
amen.*





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**JEREMIAH 33:1-3**

## GREAT AND MIGHTY THINGS THROUGH PRAYER

Abraham's prayer delivered Lot and his family from being destroyed in Sodom.

Joshua's prayer caused the sun and moon to stand still.

The barren Hannah's prayer brought her a son who became one of Israel's greatest prophets, Samuel.

There are great and mighty things in prayer. God invited Jeremiah to call upon God when he had problems. This invitation is also applicable for us. To call upon God, we do not need a laptop, whatsapp, skype or cellphone. We do not need a sim card or security password either. All we need is a heart that is willing to pray.

Praying is our communication line with God. It is practically the easiest of all. We can pray anywhere we want to and at any time that we want to. There is power, hope, joy, mighty and great things in prayer.

Keep praying and calling upon God till the great and mighty things take place in your life!

### **Key verse:**

*Jeremiah 33:3  
Call to me and  
I will answer  
you and tell  
you great and  
unsearchable  
things you do  
not know.*

### **Prayer**

*Dear God, thank  
You that when I  
call on You and  
come to pray to  
You, You listen to  
me. When I seek  
You, I will find  
You. You are a  
great and mighty  
God. Amen.*

