

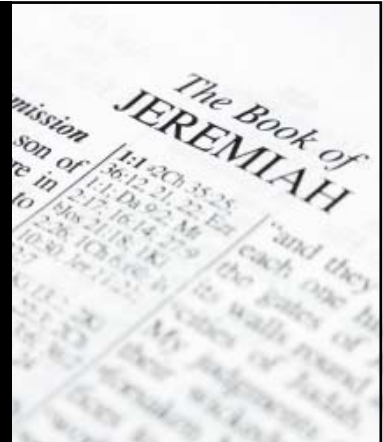
Plans to Prosper you

Jer. 29:11



Jeremiah

- means “the Lord hurls”
- prophesied during the decline and fall of the southern kingdom of Judah




- God sanctioned Jeremiah as a prophet even before he was born (1:5)
 - Was forbidden to marry (16:1)
- “Weeping prophet” because he wept about the sins of his nation (9:1)




The historical context of Jer. 29:11:

- Babylonians attacked Jerusalem in 605 B.C.
- Babylonians took many leading citizens as captives to their country
- The period of exile was 70 years




Lead a normal life

God instructed the exiles to lead a normal life during the period of captivity (Jer. 29:4-7)




Plans to prosper you (29:11)

- The Hebrew word for prosper is “shalom”
- “Shalom” means completeness, wholeness, harmony, unimpaired relationship with God and others



Who is eligible for the promise in Jer. 29:11?

- God doesn't plan to prosper people who rebel against Him
- The promise is only for those who fear Him



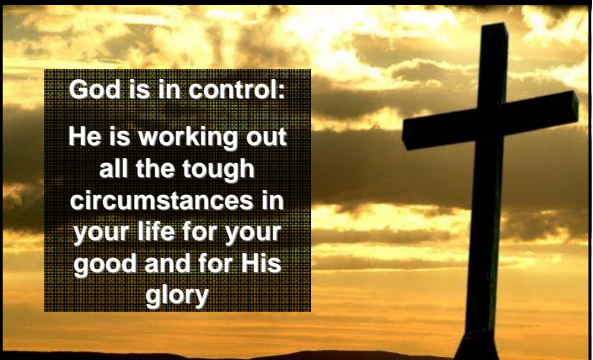
When will the promise in Jer. 29:11 be fulfilled?

- before the end of captivity
- God will work out His plan and purpose for them when it is time



Trust in God even during difficult situations:

- Every trial has a purpose
- Keep up your relationship with God during hard times



God is in control:
He is working out all the tough circumstances in your life for your good and for His glory