



# HELP

IS ON THE WAY

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*Jeremiah 33:14-16*

### INTRODUCTION

In Jeremiah 33, he and his people find themselves in a world that is near the brink of utter ruin and near collapse. The armies of King Nebuchadnezzar are advancing on Jerusalem, and the city streets are soon to be lined with dead people who once walked upon them. From all accounts, the situation is bleak; the city is doomed. Jeremiah himself is in prison for preaching against the king and his government, and the people of Jerusalem are suffering at the hands of their Babylonian oppressors. And yet, amidst all the devastation, the preacher utters a word of encouragement and promise to these beleaguered and anguished people. With their backs up against the wall and their enemies on the attack, the prophet proclaims that restoration is going to return to this devastated community, and the life they had will return once again. What does this mean for you? The same news it meant for Jeremiah, help is on the way! So with that in mind, let's look at three specific facets of the help we receive from God.

### KEY POINTS

#### 1. The assurance of God's help

With Nebuchadnezzar and Babylonian armies advancing and on the attack, with their prospects for survival dim, and the prophet himself in a prison cell, he announces that help is on the way. They are hurting. They are down. They've been badly beaten and bruised, but God through the prophet declares essentially that the Calvary is coming, that help is coming, that the hand of God is coming.

And the same is true for you today. Regardless of where you are, what situation you are in, and what you are going through, help is on the way. We've come through some tough times over the past two years or so. Pandemic, insurrection, death, economic uncertainty, life as we knew it changed. But God wants you to know today that the same word of comfort and encouragement that was spoken to the people in Jeremiah 33 is accessible for you today.

Your help is on the way. Your day is coming when all things will be made right. No matter how they appear right now, the story is not over, and God is coming to your rescue. Rejoice today in knowing that your day is coming.

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### 2. The application of God's help

Jeremiah proceeds from declaring the assurance of God's help to letting us know about the application of God's help. In other words, he wants them then and us now to understand how God was going to administer the help He promises. It comes on the heels of declaring in verse 10-11 that things are going to get better in the personal lives of God's people.

He is talking about the restoration of laughter in the streets, the voice of mirth and gladness, and wedding bells in the air, the voice of the bridegroom and the bride. God is going to restore their personal lives.

### 3. The aftermath of God's help

When God sends help, He is going to do two very specific things for you. Jeremiah 33 tells us of these things, that not only apply to the people in that day, but to us now. God is going to better your personal life, and He is going to act on your behalf. Let's talk about both.

First, God is going to improve your personal life. What might this look like? It could be a number of things. He might remove a toxic person from your life. He might give you a promotion to give you more influence in the company. He might bring someone into your life that gives you the perspective and challenges you to grow in your walk with Christ. Our God is a creative God, and He can work in a number of ways. But just know, however He decides to do so, it will make your life better.

Second, He will act on your behalf. Whatever it is that you are struggling with that you just can't overcome, He will step in. When God says help is on the way, He means He is on the way. He will do whatever He must to get you to the destiny He has designed for you. As long as you are faithful in pursuing that destiny, God will make sure nothing stands in your way.

And why does God do this? He does it for you, because He loves you and wants the very best for you. And in doing so, He will be glorified. There are situations God allows you to get in, so that you learn that you cannot get out on your own. You need Him. And that is where He comes in. He does it for you, and He does it for His glory.

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### **QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER**

1. What is something you need God's help with right now? Have you asked Him to help you?
2. Would you say it's easy for you to ask for help when you need it? Why or why not?
3. Which part of the aftermath of God's help makes you most hopeful? What about it gives you hope?

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