

Response Questions  
February 19, 2023 | Jeremiah 29:4-14  
*When Good News Sounds More Like Bad News*  
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1. Think of a time in your life when you felt you were an "exile" either physically or emotionally. In other words was there a time when you were forced to be in a place where you didn't want to be?
  - a) What were the circumstances?
  - b) How did it affect your relationship with God?
  - c) What means of grace enabled you to cope or even thrive during this difficult time?
  
2. What was the purpose of Jeremiah's letter to the exiles?
  
3. What was the deception that the false prophets in Babylon were setting forth for the exiles? (Compare Jer. 28:1-4 with 29:10)
  - a) Why were the exiles so vulnerable to this deception?
  
4. What deception is being set forth today in our culture?
  - a) What contemporary circumstances make believers vulnerable to believing this deception?
  - b) What are the possible consequences for believing such deception?
  
5. What blessings arose from this period of exile?
  
6. When in your experience have you seen God use evil to accomplish something good in your life? What Scriptural support do have for this conviction? What good did you see God accomplish in your life through this difficult time?