

# LIFE GROUPS

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. When have you lived like, “When life goes my way, then I will live for God?”
2. Read Jeremiah 29:1-3. If you were in Jeremiah’s sandals when everyone told you that God’s people would NOT be exiled to Babylon, yet they were, how tempted would you be to write them a letter with the “I told you so” theme? Why or why not?
3. Read Jeremiah 20:4-7. What were God’s instructions to the exiles in Babylon?
4. Why did the tone of Jeremiah’s prophecies change so drastically in this text when compared to the first 28 chapters of Jeremiah?
5. Why are the exiles in Babylon? How is the world we are living in “Babylon?”
6. How do the words God communicated to the exiles in Jeremiah’s day relate to how God wants you to live today?
7. Read Romans 13:1-2. Why would God have His chosen nation obey and pray for a pagan ruler who killed many of their people, stole their possessions, destroyed their temple, and took them into exile? Why would God have you obey the governing authorities in your world, many of whom are not living for the Lord?
8. Read Jeremiah 29:8-9. How do you discern who are “false prophets” today? How do you protect yourself from false prophets?
9. Read Jeremiah 29:10-14. How would these words be both encouraging, yet discouraging, for the people of God? What is the significance of the “you” in verse 11 being plural for the exiles then, and for the church today?
10. Based upon these verses, what were the conditions for the Lord to hear and act?
11. In the light of the gospel, how can you diligently serve God in this imperfect world today, as you await a perfect world in eternity?



Jeremiah: Fear-Less

Diligence

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