

BABYLON

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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

THRIVING IN BABYLON - PART 1

QUESTION 1

Get-to-know-me

In what ways have you seen Canadian culture change since the time you were growing up?

QUESTION 2

Into-the-Bible

Read Ephesians 29:1-14

What stands out to you in Jeremiah's prophecy to the people living in exile?

What do you think is the significance of God's instructions to, "Build houses and settle down; plant gardens and eat what they produce. Marry and have sons and daughters; find wives for your sons and give your daughters in marriage, so that they too may have sons and daughters. Increase in number there; do not decrease. Also, seek the peace and prosperity of the city to which I have carried you into exile." ?

Jeremiah 29:11 is a scripture verse often used to encourage modern-day Christians. How does reading the surrounding verses change its context?

QUESTION 3

Take-it-home

Pastor Nathan shared how the two postures to avoid while living in exile are: separatism (Hiding from culture) and syncretism (Blend in with culture). Which of the two postures are you most tempted to live out? (Explain)