

Sunday, July 5, 2020 Dr. Landon Dowden

## **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS FOR JEREMIAH 29:1-14**

- 1. In what way, did God speak to you today through His Spirit and His Word?
- 2. In what ways are you striving to see 2 Timothy 2:15 be true of you and those you're discipling? What does it mean to "rightly handle the word of truth?"
- 3. How can we discern the difference in a word from the Lord meant for God's people at a specific time and place and a word from the Lord that is for believers in every age and every situation? Even if certain instructions were given for specific times in the lives of God's people, how can we know that God breathed out all of it for our good even today?
- 4. How can people who have good intentions (to encourage or comfort) still do harm by taking a verse or Scripture passage out of context?
- 5. What are some Scriptures you've seen used in ways they were not intended to be used in their original context?
- 6. What are some ways that Jeremiah 29:11 can be misused or misapplied?
- 7. Why are we tempted at times to want our plans for God or our plans for ourselves more than we want God's plans for us?
- 8. Of what comfort is it to know that all things are working according to God's good plans?
- 9. Why is it difficult at times to accept that all of God's plans for His people are good?
- 10. How often do you pray for the good of those who you dislike most? How can God help you do this more?
- 11. How much credibility are you giving currently to voices other than God's? How can you be discerning so that you are not swayed to abandon God's Word?
- 12. In what ways are believers exiles in this world? How evident is it that you are an exile and this is not your home?
- 13. What does seeking the Lord with all your heart look like in your life?
- 14. In what ways are you guilty of wanting God's blessings with no strings attached? What responsibilities listed in Jeremiah 29 need to be more practiced in your life?

## **APPLICATION**

This week, by God's grace and in His power, we will \_\_\_\_\_\_.\_\_.