

Dear God... What is Your will for me?

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God still has a wonderful plan for my life.

"I know the plans I have for you," says the Lord. "They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope."
Jeremiah chapter 29 verse 11 (596)

- *The circumstances of life cannot derail God's plan for you.*
- This is what the Lord says: "You will be in Babylon for seventy years. But then I will come and do for you all the good things I have promised, and I will bring you home again."
Jeremiah chapter 29, verse 10 (596)
- God has not forgotten you.

Focus on those things that God has already shown you.

"This is what the Lord of Heaven's Armies, the God of Israel, says to all the captives He has exiled to Babylon from Jerusalem: 'Build homes, and plan to stay. Plant gardens, and eat the food they produce. Marry and have children. Then find spouses for them so that you may have many grandchildren. Multiply! Do not dwindle away! And work for the peace and prosperity of the city where I sent you into exile. Pray to the Lord for it, for its welfare will determine your welfare.'"

Jeremiah chapter 29, verses 4-7 (596)

- God can still use you and bless you while you are waiting.
- Find out where God is already working and get involved.
- Shine where you are!

1. Are you faithful in fulfilling the responsibilities that God has already given you?

I am a dad, husband, Pastor, worker, friend, son etc...

2. Are there sin struggles that you are ignoring?

"Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a huge crowd of witnesses to the life of faith, let us strip off every weight that slows us down, especially the sin that so easily trips us up. And let us run with endurance the race God has set before us. We do this by keeping our eyes on Jesus, the champion who initiates and perfects our faith."

Hebrews chapter 12, verses 1-2 (927)

3. Am I seeking a set of circumstances or am I seeking Jesus?

a. God wants to change me more than my circumstances.

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Surround yourself with truth tellers.

“Do not let your prophets and fortune-tellers who are with you in the land of Babylon trick you. Do not listen to their dreams, because they are telling you lies in my name. I have not sent them, says the Lord.”

Jeremiah chapter 29, verses 8-9 (596)

- ✓ Who is influencing your decisions?
- ✓ Hearing the truth is never comfortable.
- ✓ Being a truth teller is always courageous.
- ✓ Godly people will provide godly direction so get in community with them.

Know that God is listening and waiting.

“In those days when you pray, I will listen. If you look for me wholeheartedly, you will find me.”

Jeremiah chapter 29, verses 12- 13 (596)

- ❖ God hears your cries!
- ❖ God is always listening and He is always working.
- ❖ “When the Spirit of truth comes, He will guide you into all truth. He will not speak on His own but will tell you what He has heard. He will tell you about the future.”
John chapter 16, verse 13 (824)
- ❖ Read your bible, pray, worship and do life with spirit-led people.
- ❖ When God reveals the next step, be willing to follow.

Next Week: *Dear God.... I need more Money!*