

Look Back:

What did you do to increase your confidence that Jesus is the one true prophet, priest and king?

Look Up:

Read [Jeremiah 29:10-14](#)

1. How do these verses describe the situation that the nation of Israel was facing? Have you ever felt that you were facing a similar situation?
2. What message did God send Israel in these verses? How do you think the people responded to this message?
3. How does God's message to Israel apply to people today? How has remembering God's promise of hope for the future helped you in the past?

Read [Matthew 7:7-8](#)

4. How are Jesus' words in this passage similar to what God told Israel through Jeremiah?
5. How easy or difficult is it for you to accept and apply these verses in your daily life? What helps or hinders you from wholeheartedly seeking God's plan for your life?

Read [Romans 8:28](#)

6. What does this verse say about God's plan for your life?
7. What do you think it means to be "called according to God's purpose?"
8. Have you ever experienced God working good from what seemed to be a bad situation at the time? What lessons did you learn from these experiences?

Overall (Discovery Bible Study)

- What do these scriptures say about God?
- What do they say about people?
- How will I apply this to my life?

Look Ahead:

How willing are you to wholeheartedly seek God's plan and purpose for your life? Take time to reflect on the key events of your life and the lessons you learned. Look for common themes and ways that God has guided and provided for you over the years before rushing into the new year.

Notes

No person fully comprehends the future. We often experience dramatic changes that seem to block us from accomplishing our hopes and dreams for the future. The Bible repeatedly tells us that we should not rely on our understanding or plans, but to trust God and seek His will and purpose for our lives. When we reflect on what God has done in the past and wholeheartedly seek His will for the future, we experience unexplainable hope and peace.