

Look Back:

What did you learn by intentionally taking time to reflect on the key events of your life and the lessons you've learned? How has this helped you start the new year?

Look Up:

Read [Jeremiah 29:11-13](#)

1. Why do you think that God tells Jeremiah that He (God) knows the plans He has for Jeremiah, but does not tell Jeremiah the details of what the plans are? What does this say about God?
2. How do most people define what it means to prosper? What do you think this meant to Jeremiah? What would it look like for you to "prosper" in 2023?
3. What did Jeremiah need to do to find more details about God's plan? How does this apply to people today?

Read [Joshua 1:6-9](#)

4. What does God tell Joshua he needs to do to be successful and prosper? How does this compare to God's message to Jeremiah?
5. What do you think God wanted Joshua to do when He told him to "be strong and courageous"? How does this compare to what typically comes to mind when someone tells you to "be strong"?
6. What do verses 7 and 8 mean to you personally? What kinds of "success" comes from obedience?
7. How are you planning to grow and prosper spiritually in 2023? What are you doing to make sure that your plans are aligned with God's plan for your life?

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 has God been preparing you for 2023?

Notes

Where do you turn first when you make plans for the future? Reviewing lessons learned in the past is a critical step in charting our course for the future. While the details of God's plans for us are not always clear, He is faithful to guide and support us when we wholeheartedly seek His will and plans for our life.