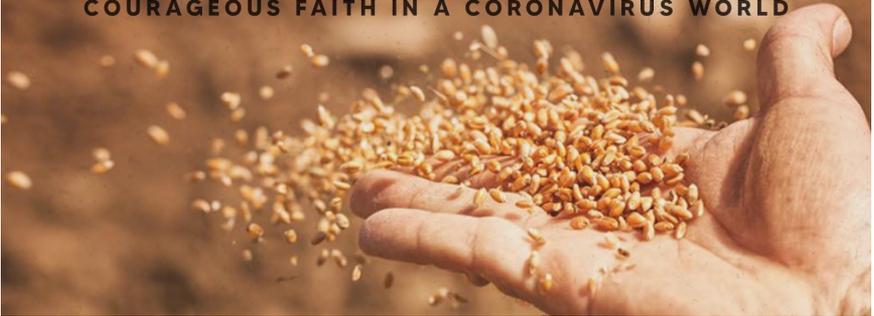


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COURAGEOUS FAITH IN A CORONAVIRUS WORLD



“A New Normal?”

May 3, 2020

Scripture: Jeremiah 29:10-13

Scattered: Part 3 of 5

Context, Jeremiah 29

In Exile, _____ 4-7

In Rebellion, _____ and _____, 29:17-19

1. **God's _____ in our lives is always _____.**
(29:10)

According to his _____

Accuracy of his _____ Word

2. **God's _____ for our lives is always _____.** (29:11)

Plans for the Covenant _____

Pre-Israel: God's _____

Israel: A _____ Nation

Church: Ambassadors of _____

_____ through the Prince of Peace

3. God's _____ for our lives is always _____ . (29:12-13)

Matthew 22:36-40

_____ Me with All Your Heart

I Will Be _____ By You

Getting Started:

There continue to be blessings even amidst this difficult coronavirus time. What is something you are thankful for from this past week?

Pastor Bryce mentioned the "fake news" floating around Israel in Jeremiah's day. How are you going about discerning and filtering all you are seeing and hearing in the media these days?

Let's process God's Truth and the Good News from his word!

Digging Deeper:

Read Galatians 6:9. God's timing is perfect! Share a time you have seen God's perfect timing revealed in your life (provision right when you needed it, a divine encounter, a perfectly fitting word of encouragement, healing, resolution, etc)

Read Romans 5:6. Jesus' ministry, death, and resurrection were foretold. Do you see and believe that God's plan of redemption in Scripture is unfolding perfectly, even though we don't understand it fully? What difference does it make in that Christ died for us "when we were still powerless?" How does that impact our faith in a practical, everyday way?

Consider a relationship or situation in which you are struggling. What does it look like to be a representative of God in that?

Read Matthew 6:33. As you develop a "new normal" Is there an action..an old way... that the Spirit is calling you to abandon because it lacks righteousness? What does it look like to walk in the way of the Kingdom and according to righteousness instead?

There are a lot of people estranged from God and isolated from others these days. How might you proactively be an ambassador of reconciliation this week?

There are few spiritual practices that are more transformational than you seeking God through meditating upon his word and through prayer. How are you doing in these areas these days? If

you are in a group discuss: do you have a set time and place to meet with God?

Getting Real: As we begin developing a new normal, amidst this coronavirus reality, consider your Christian community. How are you doing at living out your faith with others? **Men**, do you have other men to talk to and walk through life with, who know you? **Women**, do you have women in your life who you know and trust and help you follow Jesus in faithfulness? And how do you intend to practice regular gathering and worshipping, not neglecting the importance of meeting with other believers?

Act: As we pursue a new normal, let's really commit to getting back to the basics: Love God and Love Our neighbors. A practical way to begin loving your neighbors is by learning their names. Reach out to a neighbor and figure out their names. Fill out the ["Who Is My Neighbor?" Grid](#) by May 31. BONUS: If you have already done this, pray for them and consider ways of loving, serving, or blessing them this week.

Pray: Join us as we link arms in the **Unite714** prayer movement, seeking the Lord on a regular basis for prayer and calling upon the Lord on behalf of our nation. Set a daily alarm for 7:14am or pm (or both) and take that moment to pray! Find this week's guide [here](#).