YOUR FUTURE AND YOUR HOPE Jeremiah 29:11-13

INTRODUCTION: Ever meet people who have lost their hope? You lose your hope because you don't see a future. Jeremiah 29:11is a great verse. However, this is not a great verse in a great chapter. This is a great verse in a bad chapter. So if you're having a bad life right now this is a great verse for you. How do I get a future and a hope?

OUR STUDY:

The context: The people of Israel are in a desperate situation, negative circumstances, under divine judgment, in a pagan land, and are being led astray by the false prophets. They are under the divine discipline of God.

1. Where do you find hope? God's plan - V.11a

2. Principle: Your greatest lessons in faith will be learned in the dark.

- 3. What do I do until I see God's plan for me?
 - Become as productive as you possibly can (VV. 5-6).
 - Become a blessing to others (V.7).
 - Seek God and not the plan (VV. 12-13).

CONCLUSION:

 "...being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus"
Philippians 1:6

What God starts, God finishes. What God begins God's ends. What God initiates God completes

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future" Jeremiah 29:11.

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