

## SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

### RE:orient - Living As Exiles

Jason Greene | Jeremiah 29:1-14 | November 1, 2020

#### DISCUSSION

1. Read Jeremiah 29:1-4
  - A. Who ultimately sent Judah into exile?
  - B. Why? Read II Chronicles 36:14-20. Did reading II Chronicles change your thinking?
2. We are now living as aliens and strangers on this earth, I Peter 2:11 NASB. How is our living away from our heavenly home like Judah's exile in Babylon?
3. Read Jeremiah 29:4-7
  - A. How would you summarize the Lord's commands to the exiles?
  - B. Why do you think He gave them this mission?
  - C. How does this apply to our Babylon—our community and neighborhoods?
4.
  - A. Describe your circle of influence and impact.
  - B. What is your responsibility to them? See Galatians 6:9-10, 1 Timothy 2:1-4, and Matthew 28:18-20.
5. Read and compare Jeremiah 29 verse 7 with verse 11. Notice that the Hebrew word “shalom”—translated variously as peace, good, prosperity, welfare, and well-being—is used in both verses. How does our well-being depend on living out our faith in the world around us? Discuss the implications of this.
6. Today many voices are clamoring to be heard. Read Jeremiah 29:8-9. What warning for us do you draw from these words?
7. Read Jeremiah 29:10-14. When things look hopeless, or in times of uncertainty, should we make plans for the future or put them on hold? Why?

#### APPLICATION

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