

“GOD IS OUR MASTER PLANNER” DEVOTIONAL & PRAYER

Our prayer this week focuses on God Who is our "*Master Planner*". He is the One Who has the perfect program or method worked out beforehand for us.

It comes from our Prayer Verse, Jeremiah 29:11 "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."

Our encouragement this week is a reminder to all of us that God is our *Master Planner*. He truly is the only One Who has the perfect program or method worked out beforehand for each one of us. Even when everything seems to be going wrong, just as it was for His people when this verse was written and they were in captivity in Babylon, God is reminding us that everything is going to turn out alright. God still works through our difficult situations and through the wrong motives of others and redeems us in His timing as we walk with Him. He makes all things new and gives us back more than we have lost because His ways are etched in eternity and will never be thwarted, even when the enemy means it for evil, He turns it to good. His power and *plan* will prevail for each one of us but we must trust Him as He is working His plan out for us. As each of us walks humbly in His *plan and follows His leadership*, He gives us His hope, His peace and His guidance that is supernatural and beyond understanding in the midst of the trials, teaching us to thrive in them *with* Him. The depth of His *plan* has always been to offer all of Himself to us so we may get to know Him in a personal, intimate way and walk with Him in every trial and circumstance. When we do, we can hear His voice and know He will never leave us or forsake us, even in our deepest struggles. We can trust that He is working His *plan* out in us and know that in the end it is good. We can pray that when our hearts are struggling and we want to know every detail of that *plan* for that moment, our Master Planner will remind us that in Him alone do we live and move and have our being and we can trust Him to show us the details when the time is right. We can pray that we will understand that most times we may not understand that *plan* until we have fully lived life, but we can ask Him that as we walk daily with Him, He will open our hearts to His understanding of the right path to take for each moment of each day. Let us pray that we will rest in our *Master Planner* and trust that He has our lives in His hands. Let us pray:

"Dear Heavenly Father, we humbly bow before Your throne in our hearts and praise You for being our *Master Planner*. We believe in faith that You know the plans you have for me and...

(names of those you are praying for),

for You declared it in Your Word. We believe Your plans are to prosper us and not to harm us, to give us hope and a future. Lord, we lift this up to You, trusting You in all things in our lives because of Who You are. May we recognize our need for You and humble our hearts before your mighty throne. May our hope be in You all day long. Father, thank-you for loving us with an everlasting love and may it all be for the glory of Your name alone. In Your loving Son's name, Jesus, we pray, Amen."