



## *“Twisted”*

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## TALK IT OVER

*It helps you grow to think it over, then share with friends*

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### Twisted – Plans to Prosper

A scripture that gets twisted: **Jeremiah 29:11 (NIV)** <sup>11</sup> 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's Context:** Jeremiah 29:1

Jeremiah wrote directly to a rebellious nation in exile, not directly to us. Jer. 29:1-10

The Gospel is good news. Hananiah spread false good news. Jer. 28:1-17

**An Authentic Christian lifestyle promises persecution.**

When we call on God, He reveals Himself. Jeremiah 29:11-14

Ephesians 1:11 – Romans 8:28

✓ **When you follow Jesus, you find true Life.**

- If you want to have kids one day, or have kids now, what kinds of plans do you have for them?
- Before listening to this message, what was your thoughts about Jeremiah 29:11?
- Share a time when God revealed Himself to you in the middle of a trial.
- Read Jeremiah 1-17. What are you up against that you need to see God's good plans in? Pray for God to reveal Himself to you this week.
- Read Galatians 6:1-2. Discuss the type of relationship that would be necessary for this kind of restoration.
- Join the Twisted Bible study plan

## Twisted- Plans to Prosper You

**August's Memory Verse** – *God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in the Spirit and in truth.*” John 4:24

### Monday 8/19- Read Matthew 6:25-34

**Question:** *So do not worry, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or*

*‘What shall we wear?’ Vs. 31*

**Truth:** *But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. Vs.33*

**Meditate:** Matthew 6:34 – *Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.*

**Prayer:** Lord, thank you that I can always trust in you and your love for me. Thank you for your provisions.

**Action:** *Turn to God and change the way you think and act, because the kingdom of heaven is near. Matt. 6:2*

**What** can I do to make today better: \_\_\_\_\_

### Tuesday 8/20- Read Romans 8:31-39

**Question:** *If God is for us, who can ever be against us?*

**Truth:** *Since he did not spare even his own Son but gave him up for us all, won't he also give us everything else?*

**Meditate:** Romans 8:35– *Can anything ever separate us from Christ's love? Does it mean he no longer loves us if we have trouble or calamity, or are persecuted, or hungry, or destitute, or in danger, or threatened with death?*

**Prayer:** Lord, I trust in you. Father, even when trouble comes my way I know that you will always love me.

**Action:** *I am convinced that nothing can ever separate us from God's love.*

**What** challenges am I facing today: \_\_\_\_\_

### Wednesday 8/21- Read Proverbs 2:1-11

**Question:** How should I seek God's wisdom for my life?

**Truth:** *Listen carefully to wisdom, and concentrate on understanding. Cry out for insight, and ask for understanding.*

*Search for them as you would for silver; seek them like hidden treasures. Vs. 25*

**Meditate:** Proverbs 15:14- *A wise person is hungry for knowledge, while the fool feeds on trash.*

**Prayer:** Lord, teach me your truths I want to both understand and live in your truth.

**Action:** *Jesus said to the people who believed in him, “You are truly my disciples if you remain faithful to my teachings. John 8:31*

**What** God is telling me: \_\_\_\_\_

### Thursday 8/22- Read Matthew 3:1-10

**Question:** What is the evidence that I have surrendered my life to Christ?

**Truth:** *Prove by the way you live that you have repented of your sins and turned to God. Vs. 8*

**Meditate:** Colossians 3:17- *And whatever you do or say, do it as a representative of the Lord Jesus...*

**Prayer:** Confess my sins to God and ask God to help me make changes in my life so I don't repeat them.

**Action:** *...lead a life worthy of your calling, for you have been called by God. Ephesians 4:1*

**What** changes for Christ do I need to make: \_\_\_\_\_

### Friday 8/23- Read Philippians 3:12-14

**Question:** If I have had many struggles in my life, what can I do to re-energize my life?

**Truth:** *I focus on this one thing: Forgetting the past and looking forward to what lies ahead,*

**Meditate:** Phil. 3:14- *I press on to reach the end of the race and receive the heavenly prize for which God, through Christ Jesus, is calling us.*

**Prayer:** Father God, I am living my life to receive the heavenly prize you have for me.

**Action:** *For I can do everything through Christ, who gives me strength. Philippians 4:13*

**Who** will I love this week and invite to church: \_\_\_\_\_