



There is an Expected End

Scripture Focus:

Jer. 29:11-13

11 For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end. 12 Then shall ye call upon me, and ye shall go and pray unto me, and I will hearken unto you. 13 And ye shall seek me, and find me, when ye shall search for me with all your heart. KJV

Scripture Context:

This portion of scripture was written by Jeremiah to the people of God who were in captivity due to their rebellion against God.

The end has a beginning...

Ninety percent of the time we are at fault for our own problems by the decisions we make or not make. We do what we want as opposed to what God wants. The other 10% of the time God allows us to go through something that we may learn from it. When you are in a place of captivity or in a problem, don't waste your time blaming or complaining.

Those of you who are in a state of perplexity due to captivity, inside of a problem or in a rut of stagnation can be assured that the Lord has kindness towards you. Trust in Him and do not be afraid or give up. Do what you have to get out by listening for God's direction and know He is aware!

God's thoughts towards us...

God's thoughts towards us are good, though our trials and circumstances may be grievous. He does not promise a life with no trials or without pain but He does assure us that there is a plan. God thoughts for each of His children are high and lofty.

The Lord said“ I know the thoughts that I think toward you, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end.” Given the fact that God has thoughts toward us, shouldn't we have thoughts towards Him and if so, what are they?

God is thinking about you...

If anyone is in trouble or in a situation today and you don't see how to get out, it is critical to do right by God. So often we can't seem to do it alone. Perhaps you want to change your lifestyle and are struggling to do so. Don't worry. The Almighty God sees all, is perpetually watching and is thinking about you right this minute continually.

Trust God's thoughts towards you...

The Lord never misses his way, nor becomes embarrassed or forgetful. When we do not know the thoughts of the Lord for our life or current circumstances are too deep for our understanding we must trust Him because He knows what He is doing and allowing. God's thoughts towards you are always clear. Your conscience may be troubled but God's thought toward you is peaceable.

Although our Lord hates sin His thoughts towards the sinners are peaceable. When He allows you to go through tough situations because of your sins His thoughts towards you are for peace. He asks that you trust through difficulties just as you trust in good times.

Don't judge the Lord's thoughts toward by what you are currently experiencing. God's thoughts towards you are good and peaceable. The afflictions God allows you to go through are allowed out of His love for you.

Trials are not created by God.....

God has no evil thought towards you, all thoughts are of peace. The next time the devil bring some dark evil thought to your mind, tell him *get thee hence Satan* for God does not think any evil thought towards me. Our Lord will allow tribulation but is our prior decision and action that brought us to the current issue of captivity. Our troubles usually drive us to our knees or at least it should.

Sometimes the expected end is unexpected ...

The Lord's expected end for us is a glorious one!

God wants to perform a good work in your life. God's dealings with us work good in our life in every way even when it doesn't seem that way at the time. God sees solutions and outcomes from a perspective that we do not possess. Our understanding is not His.

If it had not been for Esau, Jacob would have never wrestled with the angel of the Lord. Jacob, running from the wrath of his brother had an encounter with an angel. This wrestling match and Jacob's reaction to this physical confrontation established the tribes of Israel.

Many of the most earnest prayers that ever rise to heaven come from us when we are in bondage under grief. We must thank God that his trying ways with us have produced in us a prayerful spirit, and a full conviction so that we do not pray in vain.

God stirs us up that we may pray...The Lord's expected end for us is that we return unto Him and enter in right relationship with Him. It take two working together for any and all relationships to be good. We must do our part for God's expected end for us to be fulfilled. We must call on the name of Jesus and seek Him in prayer for our expected end. We have to turn from our way that is not pleasing to God. We must repent by confessing our sins and ask for His forgiveness and He will touch you in a special way and speak to your heart. In this prayer relationship we can better know God's thoughts for us.

Closing Scripture:

Lam 3:25-26

25 The LORD is good unto them that wait for him, to the soul that seeketh him. 26 It is good that a man should both hope and quietly wait for the salvation of the LORD.

Salvation is our expected end!

Our expected end consists of hope for salvation, we should not only wait for our salvation, but use every means that may lead to it. In this way our expected end will be exactly what God intended.

Waiting for your expected end entails praying and seeking God, obedience to His word and following the example of Jesus Christ, loving God, loving people, being salt toward others, mirror His light through love and be a witness for Jesus by leading lost souls to Him

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