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#### Jeremiah 29:10-

- 10 For this says the Lord; 'When seventy years are completed for Babylon, I will visit you, and I will fulfill to you my promise and bring you back to this place.
- 11 For I know the plans I have for you, declares the LORD, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope.
- 12 Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will hear you.
- 13 You will seek me and find me, when you seek me with all your heart.
- 14 I will be found by you, declares the LORD, and I will restore your fortunes and gather you from all the nations and all the places where I have driven you, declares the LORD, and I will bring you back to the place from which I sent you into exile.

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"Live" fully in the midst of our less than ldeal circumstances...
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God's blessings are His to give, and He will.

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o In reality this lack of love is disallusioning.

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God wants to relate to our....

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