

BETTER DAYS

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over

KEY SCRIPTURE

Jeremiah 33.1-6

PURSUE GOD

V. 6- Nevertheless, I will bring health and healing to it; I will heal My people and will let them enjoy abundant peace and security."

Jerusalem was laid siege by the Babylonians, Jeremiah was held to a confined area, but God was still on the scene. Because even when it looks like we are imprisoned by our enemy, God is on a rescue mission for His people. God spoke to Jeremiah and reminded him of who He is. Creator, the One who formed everything, then He gave Jeremiah His Name to carry and proclaim. He is reminding Jeremiah, cry out to Me, you're not alone in this fight. But it is only to those who are willing to trust God that He extends the invitation to, *"Call to Me, and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know."* And this revelation of God was readily available, Jeremiah only needed to trust Him.

Many of us find ourselves prisoners of a self-made/ self-imposed cell, where the door is open, but we are staring at the opposite wall. We say and believe things like, my hands are tied, it's outside of my control, or worse we give up and resolve to believing, it is what it is. We are desperate to be released from our captivity, but ignore the fact that freedom has already been bought and is available in Jesus. We focus on what we can't do, instead of on the One who already has done. So we continue to stare at the wall, and believe this prison is the best life has to offer. But God can change the isolation of our captivity into a place where He holds our attention captive. And our incarceration becomes the place of His revelation. God may not have put us in the situation, but He can be found in the middle of it, and He will use our circumstance to bring Himself a great glory... when we cry out to Him.

He is closer than you think, and He is waiting for you to call on Him, and to believe He can and will bring you out of your cell, and into better days.

LOVE LIFE

What is your prison today? What does this verse say you can do to adjust your attitude?

Is there a circumstance you feel can't be changed by calling on the Lord?

Is there a relationship you feel stuck in that can't be reconciled by crying out to God?

Is there a situation in your life God wants to repair, but you don't want to surrender?