

**MYTH #4: "GOD HAS A BLUEPRINT FOR MY LIFE"
JEREMIAH 29:11 / 10-23-16 / AM**

I. FIRST, WHAT'S WRONG WITH GOD HAVING A BLUEPRINT FOR OUR LIVES?

- A. First, what does this "blueprint mentality" look like?
1. Blueprints contain specific instructions that spell out every detail.
 2. Many Christians think this is a metaphor for God's will.
- B. Why wouldn't we want God's will to be like a blueprint?
1. It turns us into a robot with no freewill.
 2. Are we doomed if we don't follow it completely?
 3. Does that mess up someone else's blueprint?
 4. We also can be paralyzed by the fear.
- C. What about Jeremiah 29:11?
1. It's a long-range plan--Jer. 29:10.
 2. It's specifically for Israel as a nation.

II. WHAT DOES GOD GIVE US?

- A. God gives each of us a "Game Plan" not a blueprint.
1. What's the difference?
 - a. It's a set of guiding principles.
 - b. It has built in flexibility.
 - c. It's a plan that shapes us, but also allows for our freewill.
 2. A Game Plan doesn't mean we can do as we please.
- B. Basic guidelines.
1. God's Word is always the best place to start.
 2. Second, obey what you already know to do.
 3. Seek wise counsel.
 4. Consider opportunities before you.

