

Jeremiah 29: 11-13

"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.

Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart."

Six years ago, I lost my husband to cancer. One year later, I lost my job of 31 years due to downsizing. Needless to say, my entire life was turned upside-down. It has been a long road and sometimes a rough journey back to some sense of normalcy. During all of these events and the years following, I have held on to the words of Jeremiah 29: 11-13. Many times it was hard to believe that there was anything to look forward to in my future, but, with God's help, I have plunged forward and now have a new job which I have held for 5 years. With the help of my family, my church family and trusting in God's word, I am now looking forward to a much brighter future.

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