

# GOSPEL NEIGHBORING



## Gospel Neighboring - Part 3

*Scripture: Jeremiah 29:1-14*

**DISCOVER (PRE-WORK)** - *Read the passage on your own.*

Before and as you read this week's passage of Scripture, ask the Spirit of God to illuminate your heart and mind and bring conviction and clarity of His truth for your life. Take some time during your own personal study to read through these four key questions:

- 1. Who is God?** (What does this passage tell me about God's character?)
- 2. What Has God Done?** (How do I see God's character in action here?)
- 3. Who Am I?** (How does God's character and action shape how I see myself?)
- 4. What Do I Do?** (If I believe *these scriptures*, how should I be *personally* obedient to this passage? How should I respond and relate to others?)

**NURTURE (DNA WORK)** - *Work through this section together.*

Reading: **Jeremiah 29:1-14 / Psalm 148**

Review the two passages above together. What stands out to you in these verses? Also, confess out loud to one another areas of personal struggle or unbelief that the Spirit revealed during your **DISCOVER** study. In light of this week's sermon and DNA readings, consider these questions together:

1. What were the Israelites commanded by God to do in the midst of their exile in Babylon? What is unique about this calling from God?
2. How does it encourage you that just like the Lord never abandoned the Israelites in Babylon, He doesn't abandon you either if you are a child of God? How does this help you or edify you to be a loving and intentional neighbor?
3. When it comes to obedience to the Lord, what motivates you the most? What doesn't motivate you at all? Where might you have faulty motives?
4. What do your current time commitments look like? How might they be hindering you from being a loving or intentional neighbor?
5. What are you most afraid of? How is that keeping you from stepping out to neighbor, in faith and trust?

**NOTE:** During this time, let each person share how or where they need to repent and believe the truth of the love of God revealed to them in Jesus. *Use this time to confess and encourage and pray for one another so that healing would take place.*

**ACT (DNA FUTURE WORK)** - *In light of your time together, what steps will you take to **act** on your new discoveries and affirmed beliefs?*

**Consider these questions in closing:**

6. What is a tangible way that you can bear witness to our **Gospel of Neighboring** in your home, work, school, and neighborhood this week?
7. As we come to a close on our Gospel Neighboring series, what steps can you practically take to love your neighbor well? Do you know their names? Do you know their hurts and losses and struggles? Do you know their passions and victories? ***How can you be more intentional to know your neighbor better this summer?***
8. **Pray for one another. Ask what you can pray for one another for and pray for some of the answers to these questions that were brought to the surface during your time in DNA.**