

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

The following questions help us dialog with the sermon, music, and liturgy in this morning's worship service. Together, these elements provide space for reflection and prayer during personal devotions, group studies, and family worship.

1. What is an exile? How were the people of Israel living as exiles in Babylon? As Christians, how are we living as exiles today?
2. In what way is this world not our home? Why is this both a promise and a warning?
3. As the people of God, how do we avoid our culture? How do we accommodate our culture? How does Jeremiah call us to relate to our culture?
4. What does it mean to "seek the welfare of the city?" (See Jeremiah 29.7) What are some ways you can do this in your everyday life?
5. Read Jeremiah 29.11. How does the context of judgment and exile change the way you read this verse?
6. What does the fall of Adam and Eve have to do with exile? (See Genesis 3.22-24) Who is the only one that can bring us back to our garden home?
7. Who is the main character of the book of Daniel? (See Daniel 7.13-14) What does this teach us about the faithfulness of God?