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Boundless Hope!

Scripture: Jeremiah 29:11 - For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the Lord, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end.

Boundless hope refers to an unlimited, God's complete freedom from all limitations, boundaries, and measurable dimensions; a sense of deep, unwavering hope grounded in faith or positive expectation about the future. It describes a belief that is not constrained by current challenges, pain, or restrictions, often implying an enduring faith or confidence that things will improve or work out positively.

Even though the verse was originally addressed to the Israelites who were held captive in Babylon. God spoke this through the prophet Jeremiah to reassure His exiled people that, although their punishment was real, their suffering was not meant to destroy them. He promised to eventually restore them, giving them a future and a hope, though the fulfillment of this promise would take 70 years.

Furthermore, we apply the sentiment of this verse to our own lives today to find comfort during times of hardship. It serves as a reminder that: God has not abandoned us in our struggles. Life's difficulties are not outside of God's overarching redemptive plan. Our ultimate hope and a future are secure in God, even if the timeline extends into eternity rather than immediate worldly prosperity.

We're all encouraged by a leader who stirs us to move ahead, someone who believes we can do the task he/she has given and who will be with us all the way. God is that kind of leader. He knows the future, and His plans for us as we fulfill His mission, we can have boundless hope. This does not mean we will be spared pain, suffering, or hardship, but that God will see us through to a glorious conclusion.

God is always ahead of you in any challenge and will provide strength and presence in times of uncertainty. Psalm 40:5 lets us know that God's miraculous deeds and loving plans for humanity are so vast and innumerable that finite human minds cannot possibly comprehend, organize, or count them all.

The president of the U.S. nor our elected officials does not know you by name, let alone think about you. **But the King of all creation, the Ruler of the universe, is thinking about you right now.** Allow this truth to buoy up your self-esteem. If God always has us in his thoughts, perhaps we should keep Him in our thoughts more faithfully. When someone you love is thinking about you all the time, it comforts you. God wants to keep us from falling and to catch us if we do fall. Since He thinks about us this much, shouldn't we find time to think about Him each day?

We are foolish to act as if we know what God is thinking and planning (Isaiah 55:8-9). His knowledge and wisdom are far greater than man's. We are also foolish to try to fit God into our mold—to make His plans and purposes conform to ours. Instead, we must strive to fit into His plans.

Jesus is assuring His followers of His constant, active, and spiritual presence. Though He would no longer be physically walking beside them, He promises to remain in union with us (Matthew 28:20). You are not facing life all alone—no matter how you feel. Jesus is with you. He promised to never forsake you. Our enemy loves to make us think we have no help, that God does not care, and we have no hope. *"I will never leave thee"* (Hebrews 13:5) is a profound statement of absolute loyalty, unconditional love, and steadfast support.

***"Then shall ye call upon me, and ye shall go and pray unto me, and I will hearken unto you"* (Jeremiah 29:12).**