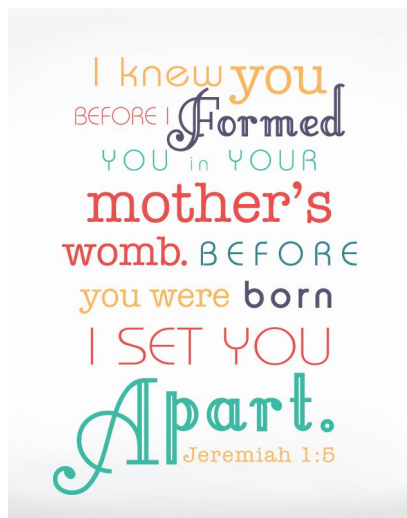


This Week in Sunday School 1.30.22 - Jeremiah



Happy Sunday, Friends,

Doesn't it feel like January is the longest month? I am so ready for February!!

This week we're learning all about Jeremiah, one of the four major prophets. Remember Isaiah from last week? He was another major prophet, Ezekiel and Daniel round out the crew.

Jeremiah was a teenager when he was first called by God to be a prophet, and he didn't think he would be able to rise to God's challenge. God didn't give him an easy path - often it was lonely and sad - "weeping prophet" came from somewhere. Jeremiah had some hard truths to tell and his messages were not well received. But he persevered, strengthened by his faith in God. And in the end there are some words of hope (this is one of my favorite verses).

"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."
— Jeremiah 29:11

Read on to learn All About Jeremiah.

Finally Friends, you have to do challenging things all the time, especially dealing with pandemic life these past few years. Jeremiah's calling us shows us that

God knows of all our special gifts and abilities. God knows we can make it through life's challenges, and will be there with us through them, even when we feel sad and alone. Just like God knew Jeremiah before Jeremiah knew himself, God knows and loves each and every one of you.

I hope all of you know how much you are loved and missed! We can't wait to be all together at church again soon.

Take Care,
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