



**Seeking God – It's Not Over**  
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**USING THIS SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE**

We have provided all the Scriptures references in the sermon and some discussion questions for you to use to discuss the weekend message.

This Sermon Discussion Guide is only a tool to aid you in meeting the needs of your group. For most groups, there are too many questions to answer in one session together. Give priority to the needs and pace of your group members.

While the questions are important, remember your group's goal is to create an atmosphere that will foster true friendships. Use the discussion questions as you see fit but emphasize the relationships.

**[Jeremiah 29:11-13, ESV]**

For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope. Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will hear you. You will seek me and find me, when you seek me with all your heart.

***“We don't follow Jesus to get where we want to go.  
We follow Jesus anywhere He takes us.”***

## How to seek God in the middle of failure

1. Know it's not over

2. Ask for help

3. Get up and start walking

*“God doesn’t define you by your failures. He defines you in how you respond.”*

**[Proverbs 25:16, ESV]**

For the righteous falls seven times and rises again.

**[Romans 8:28, ESV]**

That for those who love God all things work together for good.

**[Genesis 3:9, ESV]**

“But the Lord God called to the man and said to him, “Where are you?”

**[Jeremiah 29:13-14, ESV]**

You will seek me and find me, when you seek me with all your heart. I will be found by you, declares the Lord, and I will restore your fortunes and gather you from all the nations and all the places where I have driven you, declares the Lord, and I will bring you back to the place from which I sent you into exile.

## Key Points:

1. Know it's not over
2. Ask for help
3. Get up and start walking

## Application for the Week:

This week, ask the Holy Spirit to show you any areas where you're living in defeat and failure. Ask Him to forgive you, get up and start walking, and begin to rehearse the promises He has given you in Jeremiah 29:11-13.

## Discussion Questions

1. What is your experience with the game "Hide and Seek"? What was your approach in hiding? How was it like to be found?
2. Looking back on your faith journey, when was a time that God said "Follow me" to you?
3. We all experience challenges, failures, and difficulty in life. Of the practical applications for seeking God when you feel at a low, what do you personally need to practice most right now?
4. Pastor Jude said, "We need to rehearse what God has promised for us in the Bible. How can we rehearse Jeremiah 29:11-13 in our lives?"
5. Why do we think we naturally tend to isolate when we fail in some area? How is this contradictory to what we actually need in community?
6. Why is it important to pray and ask God for help when we fail? What are God's promises in that moment?
7. How do you seek God in the mountains and valleys of your life? How is God consistent, regardless of circumstances?
8. Who have you invited to speak into your life and refine you through honest relationship?