Reframe...Connecting Faith & Life! (Part #7)

Strangers In A Strange Land! Exiles & Ambassadors!

*Embrace Exile!

Jeremiah 29:1-4

This is the text of the letter that the prophet Jeremiah sent from Jerusalem to the surviving elders among the exiles and to the priests, the prophets and all the other people Nebuchadnezzar had carried into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon. ³...It said: ⁴This is what the Lord Almighty, the God of Israel, says to all those I carried into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon:

*Blend or Bunker?

Jeremiah 29:5-9

"Build houses and settle down; plant gardens and eat what they produce. Marry and have sons and daughters; find wives for your sons and give your daughters in marriage, so that they too may have sons and daughters. Increase in number there; do not decrease. Also, seek the peace and prosperity of the city to which I have carried you into exile. Pray to the Lord for it, because if it prospers, you too will prosper." Yes, this is what the Lord Almighty, the God of Israel, says: "Do not let the prophets and diviners among you deceive you. Do not listen to the dreams you encourage them to have. They are prophesying lies to you in my name. I have not sent them," declares the Lord.

*Live Life!

We Live As Ambassadors...

and exiles, to abstain from sinful desires, which wage war against your soul. ¹²Live such good lives among the pagans that, though they accuse you of doing wrong, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day he visits us. ¹³Submit yourselves for the Lord's sake to every human authority: whether to the emperor, as the supreme authority, ¹⁴ or to governors, who are sent by him to punish those who do wrong and to commend those who do right. ¹⁵For it is God's will that by doing good you should silence the ignorant talk of foolish people. ¹⁶Live as free people, but do not use your freedom as a cover-up for evil; live as God's slaves. ¹⁷Show proper respect to everyone, love the family of believers, fear God, honor the emperor."

*We Carry The Name!

*We Know The Mission!

"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here! ¹⁸All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: ¹⁹that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation. ²⁰We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God."—2 Corinthians 5:17-20

*We Learn The Language & <u>Culture!</u> *We Engage In <u>Dialogue!</u>

Sunday, February 19th, 201

10,000 REASONS Opening

GREAT ARE YOU LORD Welcome FIERCE

Prayer

MIRACLES Offering

Message
STRANGERS IN A STRANGE LAND: **EXILE & AMBASSADORS**

Pastor Dean Ward

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PART 7



and supporting the mission of The River way of putting God first in our finances sacrificially, is part of our worship. It's our throughout the year. The combined totals for both The River New Kensington and The Giving back to God, cheerfully and RACK BACK January 29th January 22nd S7,150.00 Needed Weekly \$5,023.35 \$7,938.49 \$4,992.62 250 303

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COMING EVENTS

This Week		Next Week
Services 9:30am & 11:15am	Sunday February 26	Services 9:30am & 11:15am
Wednesday The River's Edge Youth Group 6-8pm Vednesday Night Livel 6-8pm	-8pm Monday February 27	Philippians Cyber Studay 9pm on Facebook Live or Skype
Thursday MOPS 9:30-11:30am Bible Study 6:30-8pm	Wednesday March 1	The River's Edge Youth Group 6–8pm Wednesday Night Live! 6-8pm
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MARCH 18

REVERSE THE CURSE MEN'S CONFERENCE @ SAXONBURG MEMORIAL CHURCH 8AM-3PM

REFRAME INTENSIVE DAY WITH STEVE GARBER - LOCATION & DETAILS TO COME

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6:30-8pm

Beginning January 11th

A powerful 8-week film-based exploration of what it means to BRING THE KIDS Open to kids in grades K-6

See faith differently

follow Christ in the modern era.



Open to youth grades 7-12

encouraged to attend the 11:15 service.

After the offering song, the youth will go into Every 2nd and 4th Sunday, the youth are the Youth Room for their lesson.