

Journey – Explore More

Scanning the neighborhood

DAILY BREAD - SUR-PRIZE

Snapshot—take a little more time to linger over the strong words from Jeremiah 45 and Galatians 6

- Baruch = “**Blessed.**” But wow, Baruch was not feeling the blessing here!
 - V3 Sorrow over pain, worn
 - V 4 It’s getting worse. God wrecking the world
 - V 5 (NKJV helpful translation here: And do you seek great things for yourself? Do not seek them; for behold, I will bring adversity on all flesh," says the LORD. "But I will give your life to you as a prize in all places, wherever you go. Jeremiah 45:5 (NKJV)
- Amid deep tension and distress, God called Baruch to surrender his life fully into God’s hands. Baruch most likely was forced into exile in Egypt, along with his friend/leader Jeremiah. NO matter how bad things would become, Baruch was called to discover the same truth **WE NEED NOW**: Life is not an achievement nor entitlement. It is a **GIFT—PRIZE**. Have you received your life as a prize yet?
- Learn this well: The only way to get there is **THROUGH SUFFERING** and **PAIN**.

High calling of the Daily Bread Prize: **SERVING**, bring restoration and healing to neighbors. Oh, how needed now!

The snapshot mentioned Systemic Poverty. It is very real, and cuts across geography and race. Even across income levels. It is killing people. We are called and empowered in Jesus to bring daily bread relief to those in systemic poverty. Reflect on these manifestations of poverty with Galatians 6 in mind:

1. Poverty of the Soul. Galatians 6.1 (what scripture would you add?)
2. Poverty of the Social connections. Galatians 6.2 (what scripture would you add?)
3. Poverty Materially. Galatians 6.10 (what scripture would you add?)

Ponder and discuss with a journey companion, how you see these elements of Systemic Poverty near us right now. What does our calling in the Spirit look like now?



Remember Your Time Out - Psalm 73

Read over the entire psalm sometime, but I invite deeper reflection on verses 21-28. I challenge you to commit them to memory and share with a companion.

Hop on the Facebook group—spark some conversation about ways **WE** can bring Daily Bread to the poverty of this city!