

Jeremiah 29:11 For I am conscious of my thoughts about you, says the Lord, thoughts of good (peace) and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope.

1. God's thoughts are turned toward us
2. His thoughts toward us are thoughts of good, peace and not of evil.
3. They are thoughts to **give** us a future and a hope.

This is **love** in person, **love** demonstrates itself by giving.

His thoughts, God's thoughts are about you, about us, not thoughts of Himself and in His thoughts which are His love, He wants to **give** to you, a future and a hope.

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James 1:17 Every good thing given and every perfect gift is from above; it comes down from the Father of lights [the Creator and Sustainer of the heavens], in whom there is no variation [no rising or setting] or shadow cast by His turning [for He is perfect and never changes].

Jeremiah 17:9-10 Nothing can hide its evil as well as the human mind. It can be very sick, and no one really understands it.

But I am the Lord, and I can look into a person's heart.

I can test a person's mind and decide what each one should have.

Ezekiel 26: 36 I will also put a new spirit in you to change your way of thinking. I will take out the heart of stone from your body and give you a tender, human heart.

Isaiah 14:13-14 And you said in your heart, I will ascend to heaven; I will exalt my throne above the stars of God; I will sit upon the mount of assembly in the uttermost north.

Genesis 3:5 "In fact, God knows that when you eat it your eyes will be opened and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."

2 thessalonians 2:3-4 Don't let anyone deceive you in any way. Before that day comes the rebellion must occur and the "outlaw", the destructive son, will be revealed *in his true light*. He is the opposing counterpart who exalts himself over everything that is called "God" or is worshiped and who sits enthroned in God's temple and makes himself out to be a god.

Isaiah 14:14-17 Yet you shall be brought down to Sheol (Hades, Hell), to the innermost recesses of the pit (the region of the dead).

Those who see you will gaze at you *and* consider you, saying, Is this the man who made the earth tremble, who shook kingdoms?

Dueteronomy 30:19 See, I have placed before you today life and happiness, and death and adversity, in that I am commanding you today to love the Lord your God, to walk in His ways and to keep His commandments, His statutes, and His judgments, so that you may live and become numerous, and that the Lord your God may bless you in the land where you are entering to take possession of it.

But if your heart turns away and you will not obey, but allow yourself to be led astray and you worship other gods and serve them, I declare to you today that you will certainly perish.

You will not prolong *your* days in the land where you are crossing the Jordan to enter and take possession of it. I call heaven and earth to witness against you today, that I have placed before you life and death, the blessing and the curse.

So choose life in order that you may live, you and your descendants, by loving the Lord your God, by obeying His voice, and by holding close to Him; for this is your life and the length of your days, so that you may live in the land which the Lord swore to your fathers, to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, to give them.”

So the life and happiness that everybody wants is Here offered, ready to be received. All that we have to do is choose and choose life.

The challenge against receiving and choosing life is the condition of the heart, the way that we think, this prevents us from being able to receive the freedom, life and happiness that God the Father is offering to us.

Our heart, the way we think is full of our self, it is full of the way we have chosen to live our lives, all of our experiences that happened to us as we chose to live the way we thought best for us.

Romans 12:1-2 Therefore I urge you, brothers *and sisters*, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, *which is* your spiritual service of worship.

And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect.