

“Does Everything Happen for a Reason?”

selected Scriptures

Romans 11:33-34 - We can only know what God has graciously
a _____ us to know.

The Devastating Reality

Matthew 5:45 - The sun rises on the e _____ and the g _____.

Many heroes of the faith experienced calamity, especially J _____.

The Disturbing Reason

Another word for “reason” is “c _____.”

Romans 6:23 - The reason for calamity in our world is s _____.

Sometimes we suffer because of our o _____ sin.

John 9:1-3; Luke 13:1-5 - Sin is not always the d _____ cause for a
person’s suffering.

Sometimes we suffer because of o _____’s sin, as in the case of
Abel, David’s baby boy, and ultimately Jesus.

Genesis 2:15-17; 3:17-19 - Sometimes we suffer because of
o _____ sin, when no direct cause can be determined.

Romans 5:12; 8:19-22 - Sin brought s _____ and d _____.

The Divine Purpose

Proverbs 19:21; Isaiah 46:9-10; 55:10-11 - God’s purpose is
p _____.

Jeremiah 29:11; Philippians 1:6 - God’s purpose is p _____.

Ephesians 1:11-12; Romans 8:28-30 - God’s purpose is
p _____.

Genesis 50:20 - God turned the e _____ in Joseph’s life to g _____.

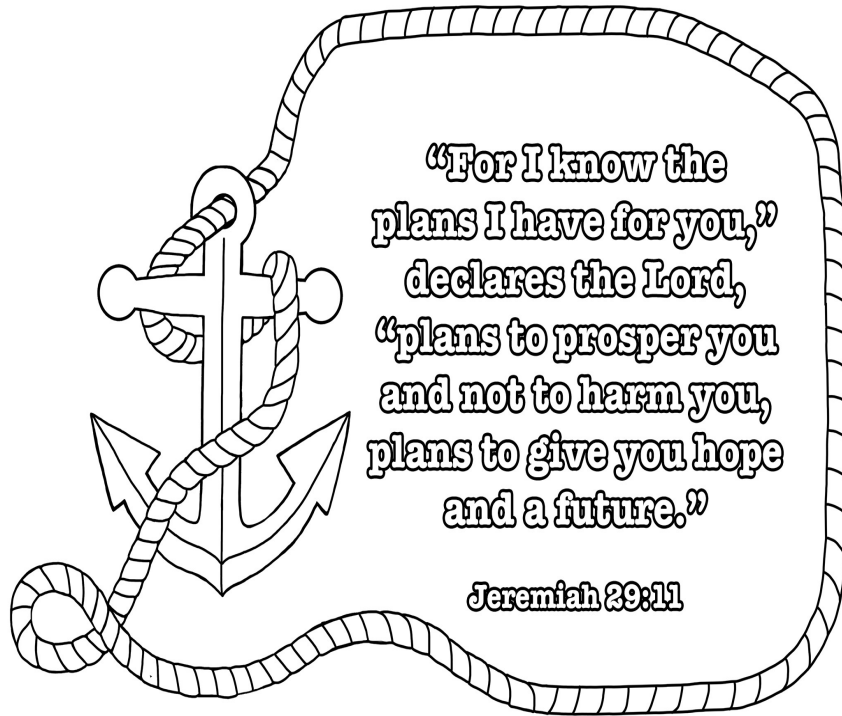
Everything bad happens for a r _____, but God has a p _____
that’s for our good.

Word Search - Isaiah 55:6-13

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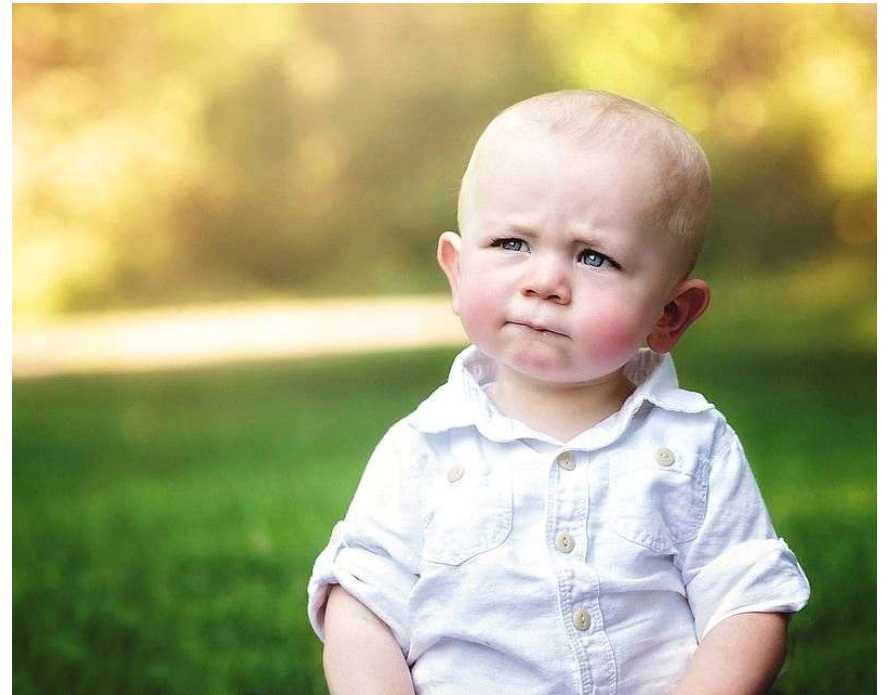
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God has a plan



And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him, who have been called according to His purpose.
(Romans 8:28)

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“I searched everywhere, determined to find wisdom and to understand the reason for things.”
(Ecclesiastes 7:25 NLT)