



# Living In God's Plan

*Lessons from the book of Jeremiah*



## What does it mean to follow the God of the Bible?

Read Jeremiah 7

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In this message, we explore the challenges of living in a world marked by contradictions. The message begins by acknowledging the prevalence of fake news and misinformation and how easily it can sway your understanding of reality. Even within the church, there can be confusion and conflicting messages, especially in a diverse, multi-faith culture.

We discover how people often project their own worldviews onto Jesus, which prompts questions about the authenticity of your faith and understanding of His teachings. The sermon delves into the story of Jeremiah, a biblical prophet who boldly confronted the moral failings of his society. The message draws parallels between Jeremiah's challenges and our own struggles when it comes to speaking out about biblical truths in today's world.

The message explores the idea of discerning true faith and identifying false teachers, preachers, and prophets. It emphasizes the importance of aligning your beliefs with biblical truths and the core tenets of orthodox Christianity. We are encouraged to reflect on what it truly means to follow the God of the Bible amidst a world filled with contradictions.

Ultimately, the message underscores the significance of obedience to God's will and seeking His approval above all else in a world where contradictory messages and beliefs abound. It's a call to stand firm in your faith while also demonstrating love and respect to those with differing beliefs.

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### Questions for reflection:

1. Have you ever found yourself projecting your own worldview onto Jesus or interpreting His teachings to align with your beliefs? How can you strive for a more authentic understanding of His message?
2. Reflect on your willingness to stand up for your faith and biblical truths when faced with opposition or conflicting views. Are there areas in your life where you need to be more courageous in living out your faith?
3. In a diverse and multi-faith society, how can you engage respectfully with people of different beliefs while staying true to your Christian convictions?

4. What core beliefs or doctrines do you consider non-negotiable in your faith? How can you deepen your understanding of these foundational truths?
  
5. Are there specific actions or practices in your life that might be contrary to your faith? How can you align your behaviour more closely with your Christian values?
  
6. Take time to ponder what it truly means to be salt and light in your community and the world. How can you live out your faith in a way that positively impacts those around you?

If you have never accepted Jesus as your personal saviour and you would like to move from the margins to having a relationship with Him. Please speak to one of the pastors or leadership team, we would love to pray with you. Alternatively, go to [www.elim.family/ihavedecided](http://www.elim.family/ihavedecided) to find out more about giving your life to Jesus.