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"A text without a context is a pretext."

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Pretext Definition: "a reason given in justification of a course of action that is not the real reason; an excuse."

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Jeremiah 29:4-14

4 Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, to all the exiles whom I have sent into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon:

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5 Build houses and live in them; plant gardens and eat their produce.

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6 Take wives and have sons and daughters; take wives for your sons, and give your daughters in marriage, that they may bear sons and daughters; multiply there, and do not decrease.

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7 But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the LORD on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare.

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8 For thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: Do not let your prophets and your diviners who are among you deceive you, and do not listen to the dreams that they dream,

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9 for it is a lie that they are prophesying to you in my name; I did not send them, declares the LORD. –

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10 For thus says the LORD: When seventy years are completed for Babylon, I will visit you, and I will fulfill to you my promise and bring you back to this place.

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11 For I know the plans I have for you, declares the LORD, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope.

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12 Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will hear you.

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13 You will seek me and find me, when you seek me with all your heart.

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14 I will be found by you, declares the LORD, and I will restore your fortunes and gather you from all the nations and all the places where I have driven you, declares the LORD, and I will bring you back to the place from which I sent you into exile. (ESV)

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Psalm 139:13-16

13 For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother’s womb.

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14 I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful,

I know that full well.

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15 My frame was not hidden from you when I was made in the secret place, when I was woven together in the depths of the earth.

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16 Your eyes saw my unformed body; all the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be. (NIV)

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Romans 11:29

For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. (ESV)

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You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart. (ESV)

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Jeremiah 29:11

For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end. (KJV)