A Happy New Year Sun Am KZ Lesson 1/7/24

# Memory Verse: Jeremiah 29:11 NKJV

# 11For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the Lord, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope.

Target Thought: Our future is in God’s hands.

Happy New Year! Do any of you have a New Year’s resolution? A resolution is something you try to do different than you did before. Perhaps you want to spend more time with Jesus, do a better job at obeying your parents, make better grades in school, be a better friend…. What are some of the plans you have for this new year?

We all had a lot of stuff planned last year. Some plans are good but only God’s plans will last. God knows and holds our future so there is no need for us to worry or be afraid about the future. We do not know what all of the future holds, but we know Who holds our future. We have some things are really important, like things we do to be closer with God. Who can tell me some things we could do better this year to be closer to God? Read your Bible? Pray? How about memorizing one verse every month? You can do that! That’s only 12 verses in a year. If the verse is too long, get mom and dad to help you make them shorter. The Bible tells us to hide God’s words in our hearts so that we don’t sin against Him. Who thinks that is important?

We can hide God’s Word in our by memorizing one scripture at a time. The reason why this is so important is because God’s Word provides all that we need. God’s Word tells us how much He loves us, how He meets all of our needs, How he takes care of us, God’s Word help us to know His plans for us which we know are good and will give us all of the answers we will ever need to know. If I plan now before I get too busy, I can keep my resolution or promise to God. Let’s read our verse today. (Jeremiah 29:11). Let’s think about that, “For I know the plans I have for you,” says the LORD.” God wants to prosper us or make our relationship with Him better, and He gives us hope, not sadness fear or worry, in life when we trust in Jesus and a future in Heaven with Him.

I am so glad God has good plans for our future. Let’s make a plan to be closer to God so we can be ready when He shows us the plans He has for us!

Let’s pray. Father God thank You for having good plans for us. Help us to be able to hear and know Your plans for us in Jesus’ name we ask Amen.

1 Whose plans will last?

2 Do we need to worry or be afraid for the future?

3 What are some things we can do this year to be closer to God this year?

4 The Bible tells us to do what with God’s Word?

5 What does God give us?