VI. CONCLUSION: JEREMIAH 29:7

"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."

NOT (stripped from Biblical context): our ultimate hope is the temporal welfare of this city.

BUT (in Biblical context): while we are here, we are eager to do what is good (Titus 2:14).

Core Seminars – Neighboring Week 3

Loving Your Neighbor and Your Neighborhood

I. INTRODUCTION

We all have the same command: Love our neighbor as ourselves

Application will be different for different people in different neighborhoods

II. NEIGHBOR AND NEIGHBORHOOD

We can display the glory of God through loving our neighbors on two levels:

- o Addressing neighbor challenges.
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Love doesn't ask *What's in it for me?* Love for for neighborhood flows out as a response to Christ's love for us.

III. BUILDING FRIENDSHIPS WITH NEIGHBORS

Ideas for building friendships with the ultimate hope of seeing them respond to the gospel.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

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6. _____

7. _____

IV. BUILDING NEIGHBORHOODS

Who: _____. We love our neighborhood because we love our neighbors and it reflects the goodness and love of God.

How: Four Biblical Guidelines

1. Submit to authority (1 Peter 2:13).

2. Love your neighbor.

3. Be humble.

4. Put your hope in heaven.

What: The issues that affect your neighbor.

The value of diversity in the local church