

OVERVIEW BRIEF



- Resolute Commitment Required
- Adamantly Forged & Fashioned
- Inevitable Hostility and Prevailing Triumph

“Why such a harsh stance, given the formidable nature of difficult that was associated with this holy assignment?” many of us are tempted to ponder.

The answer is simple. Unquestionably and assuredly, we are required to trust in God humbly and submissively. That is, in His Sovereignty; His Wisdom; His Omnipotence; and His Faithfulness as He exercises His complete authority in the universal governance of His Creation.

Moreover, we must continually recognize that He has (and will) always provided us with the reliable and dependable, supernatural resources required to successfully complete the tasks entrusted to us.

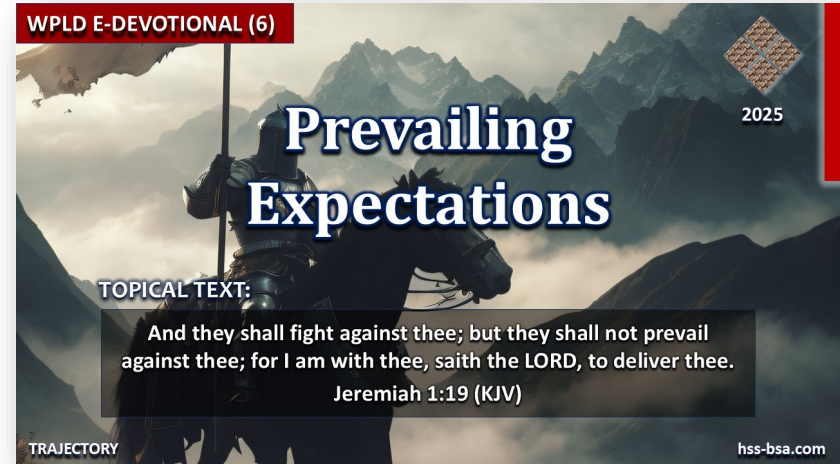
If has been (and will never be) the case that we (“the redeemed”) have directed to rely on our natural resources to accomplish that which is innately supernatural in essence.

Again, in absolute surety the Lord decreed regarding the fulfillment of the holy commission of Jeremiah in **verse 10**: “**See, I have this day set thee over the nations and over the kingdoms, to root out, and to pull down, and to destroy, and to throw down, to build, and to plant.**”

Observe closely the emphasis on the outworking authority of divine sovereignty that is stressed by the phrase: “**See, I have this day set thee.**” In other words, he fully indicated to Jeremiah that “*the work of God would be accomplish by His Word.*” And to further expound upon that keynote touch point, He affirmed in **verse 12b**: “**for I will hasten my word to perform it.**”

Herein we observe that this important declaration fully parallels the key text of **Isaiah 55:11**, where the Lord also affirmed that all that which is divinely decreed is accomplished by the authority and power of His Omnipotent Word.

He stated: “**So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.**”



SOURCE TEXT: Jeremiah 1:17-19; Psalms 23:5 (KJV)

JEREMIAH 1:17 Thou therefore gird up thy loins, and arise, and speak unto them all that I command thee: be not dismayed at their faces, lest I confound thee before them.

18 For, behold, I have made thee this day a defenced city, and an iron pillar, and brasen walls against the whole land, against the kings of Judah, against the princes thereof, against the

priests thereof, and against the people of the land.

19 And they shall fight against thee; but they shall not prevail against thee; for I am with thee, saith the LORD, to deliver thee.

PSALMS 23:5 Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

THEY SHALL FIGHT, BUT NOT PREVAIL

This reliable word of divine assurance is plainly issued in association with the sure realities of inevitable hostility that depict the signature character of engagement in true stewardship ministry intentionally assigned to rival every generation wherein predominately persists the counter culture of moral wickedness and spiritual darkness. God said “**they shall fight;**” yet promised, “**I am with they, to deliver thee.**” But, not necessarily the way we may envision.