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Verse-by-Verse Bible Lessons Thru the Bible

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Praying Through Jeremiah 35:5-11

Dear Heavenly Father, we ask that Your Holy Spirit and Your written Word, the Bible, would teach us how to live according to Your will and teach us how to truly and submissively pray that Your will be done in our lives. As we pray to do Your will, please help us be willing to pray that Your will be done even if it might be contrary to what we might prefer. We know that everything You have revealed to us through Your Son, Jesus Christ, will bless us and others if, as Christians, we would but practice what we have learned from the Bible with the guidance and power of Your indwelling Holy Spirit. Please help us avoid being misled by any book, writing, spirit, person, or a group that would tempt us to think they know better than You and Your revelation, the Bible. Do not let us be misled into thinking that Your Spirit and the Bible cannot be trusted as our faithful Guides for life. Please help us avoid setting human ideas, values, and worldly ways of life above what You have taught us and demonstrated through Jesus Christ. Please help us see how Your commands as our Creator are reasonable and best suited to us as You have made us. Your commands are an infallible road map for living, and Your Spirit in an inerrant Guide to help us stay on the right path. Moreover, we know that Your Spirit will never contradict Your written Word. If we get lost or misled, please come and find us quickly before we know we need to ask for help. Please find us even as the Good Shepherd found His one lost sheep and rejoiced that He had saved it. Help us follow You and stay close to You so we can more quickly avoid following the false advice and guidelines that some may give us, even if they would be sincerely seeking to help us, because they could be sincerely wrong. Please help us seek, find, and help those who have been misled so You can bring them back to You as their Savior, Lord, and faithful Guide now and forever. Help us live with faith in You rather than in fear of what might happen in the future, so we do not make decisions based on our fears or the fears of others. Open our minds and the minds of others so we can understand Your Word, quickly practice Your teachings, and enjoy a loving fellowship with You and one another forever. Ever trusting that Your will for our lives will be done, in Jesus' Name we pray. Amen.