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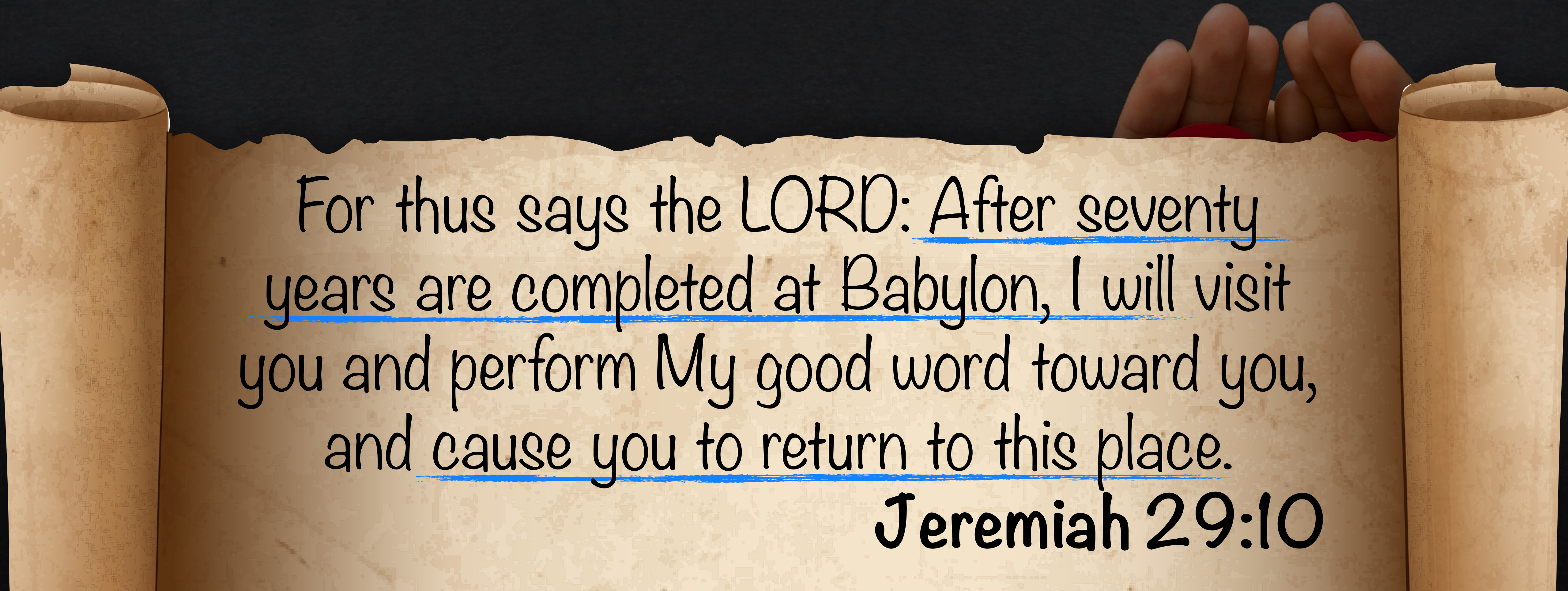
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A hand is visible at the top right, holding a scroll. The scroll is unrolled, showing text written in a cursive script. The text is from Jeremiah 29:10. The scroll is light brown and has a torn edge. The background is dark.

For thus says the LORD: After seventy years are completed at Babylon, I will visit you and perform My good word toward you, and cause you to return to this place.

Jeremiah 29:10

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Isaiah 44


24 Thus says the LORD, your Redeemer, And He who formed you from the womb: "I am the LORD, who makes all things,
Who stretches out the heavens all alone, Who spreads abroad the
earth by Myself;

28 Who says of Cyrus, 'He is My shepherd, And he shall perform
all My pleasure, Saying to Jerusalem, "You shall be built," And to
the temple, "Your foundation shall be laid." '

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“ God can use even a pagan ruler to accomplish His divine purposes. When the words and actions of world leaders disturb you, just remember that God is still on the throne and has things in control. ”

Warren Wiersbe, With The Word

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“ When Cyrus had said this to the Israelites, the rulers of the two tribes of Judah and Benjamin, with the Levites and priests, went in haste to Jerusalem; yet did many of them stay at Babylon, as not willing to leave their possessions ”

Josephus, Antiquities of the Jews Book XI

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3. God Does Not Always Move The Hearts Of Kings (Ezra 4:4-6)

“ God may seem to tarry in carrying out His purposes. He never abandons them. Indeed, there is a very true sense in which He never tarries even for a moment in carrying them out. ”

G. Campbell Morgan, Exposition On The Bible

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So the Lord stirred up the spirit of Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and the spirit of Joshua the son of Jehozadak, the high priest, and the spirit of all the remnant of the people; and they came and worked on the house of the Lord of hosts, their God

Haggai 1:14

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Prepare Your Heart

- ◆ Prepare To Seek God's Word
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- ◆ Prepare To Teach God's Word



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