

APRIL 11

**“EVEN WHEN IT SEEMS
THINGS HAVE GONE AWRY,
GOD STILL HAS A PLAN.”**

READ

Isaiah 40:27-31

God has a plan. Jesus Christ, His Son, was sent to this earth by God the Father, not because a mistake had been made in creation, and not because God had not anticipated the failure of Adam and Eve. God wasn't surprised by what happened in the garden. God knows all things from the beginning to the end. God had a plan to reveal His mercy and grace to fallen, sinful humankind. Jesus came into the world as the spotless, sinless Son of God and lived His life in obedience to the Father. Then wicked men, according to God's plan, took Him and crucified Him and buried Him in a tomb. So God's plan from the beginning was for His own Son to pay for the sins of the world. The Bible says when He died, He overcame death. When Jesus walked out of the tomb on that third day, there was a rejoicing that went through the universe. The devil knew he was finished. The demons knew that they had been made impotent by the name and power of Jesus. Jesus had broken the curse of sin and death.

PRAY

God, disobedience always leads to disaster. Forgive me for the times I disobey, for the times I believed the lies of Satan rather than trust what You said, and for the times I thought I knew better than You. I am grateful that You have a plan, and it includes me.

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