

JEREMIAH 29:1-14
DO WE REALLY HAVE TO MAKE THIS TRIP?
Thriving on the Borderland #2
April 19, 2015

1. The story into which we have been baptized
 - a. It begins with Genesis 1:28
 - b. It really gets going with Abraham—Genesis 12:1-3
 - c. Even in judgment—in exile—God still sends us (Jeremiah 29:4)
 - d. And it continues with Acts 1:8
2. But it's more comfortable to keep standing in place gawking! (Acts 1:11)
 - a. The *real* "Seeker Friendly" church (Luke 19:10)
 - b. God never promised it would be easy!

We start in "Jerusalem" where it's hardest

We go to "Samaria" where they don't like us (Philip – Acts 8:4-5)

Then you can go on that short-term mission trip to the ends of the earth!
3. We don't go *to* church . . . we *are* church 24/7 as "resident aliens" doing subversive work for God's Kingdom as we cross borders
4. Know that God is way ahead of us and we are just catching up. We go where Christ *is*.