Home Sweet Home?

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We're made for something more. This world, as it is, is <u>not all there is</u>.

We're all <u>exiles</u>. (Daniel 1:1-2; 2 Kings 20:16-18; 2 Kings 24:1-3; Psalm 39:12; Hebrews 11:13)

We can go home again. (Luke 9:58; John 14:2, 6)

Until then, we journey. (1 Peter 1:1-2, 2:11)

My Next Step(s)...

- $\hfill \square$ I'll consider with my GROVE Group:
 - Aside from a Chiefs Super Bowl win, what is something you have celebrated after waiting a long time for it?
 - ☐ When did you first leave home? What was a big adjustment you had to make?
 - ☐ Lamentations is a form of Hebrew poetry describing what it was like for the people of Israel when they went into exile.
 - ☐ Read Lamentations chapter 1, in which
 Jerusalem is personified as a woman. Go
 through each stanza and identify an emotion
 the people experienced in exile.
 (For example, "How she sits alone..." in verse
 1 suggests they felt lonely.)
 - ☐ What phrase is most repeated in this chapter?
 - How does the picture of exile in this chapter relate to what people experience on a regular basis today?
- ☐ I'll read Daniel chapter 1 to prepare for next week's sermon.
- ☐ I will memorize Hebrews 11:13 (CSB)

These all died in faith, although they had not received the things that were promised. But they saw them from a distance, greeted them, and confessed that they were foreigners and temporary residents on the earth.