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⁶ Then I said, “Alas, Lord God! Behold, I do not know how to speak, Because I am a youth.” ⁷ But the Lord said to me, “Do not say, ‘I am a youth,’ Because everywhere I send you, you shall go, And all that I command you, you shall speak. ⁸ “Do not be afraid of them, For I am with you to deliver you,” declares the Lord. ⁹ Then the Lord stretched out His hand and touched my mouth, and the Lord said to me, ¹⁰ “Behold, I have put My words in your mouth. “See, I have appointed you this day over the nations and over the kingdoms, To pluck up and to break down, To destroy and to overthrow, To build and to plant.”

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The Almond Rod and Boiling Pot

¹¹ The word of the Lord came to me saying, “What do you see, Jeremiah?” And I said, “I see a rod of an almond tree.” ¹² Then the Lord said to me, “You have seen well, for I am watching over My word to perform it.”

¹³ The word of the Lord came to me a second time saying, “What do you see?” And I said, “I see a boiling pot, facing away from the north.” ¹⁴ Then the Lord said to me, “Out of the north the evil will break forth on all the inhabitants of the land.

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¹⁵ For, behold, I am calling all the families of the kingdoms of the north,” declares the Lord; “and they will come and they will set each one his throne at the entrance of the gates of Jerusalem, and against all its walls round about and against all the cities of Judah. ¹⁶ I will pronounce My judgments on them concerning all their wickedness, whereby they have forsaken Me and have offered sacrifices to other gods, and worshiped the works of their own hands. ¹⁷ Now, gird up your loins and arise, and speak to them all which I command you. Do not be dismayed before them, or I will dismay you before them.

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¹⁸ Now behold, I have made you today as a fortified city and as a pillar of iron and as walls of bronze against the whole land, to the kings of Judah, to its princes, to its priests and to the people of the land. ¹⁹ They will fight against you, but they will not overcome you, for I am with you to deliver you,” declares the Lord.

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- I. We can do whatever God calls us to do.
 - A. There will be things God calls us to do that we don't believe we can do

Exodus 4:10

¹⁰ Then Moses said to the Lord, “Please, Lord, I have never been eloquent, neither recently nor in time past, nor since You have spoken to Your servant; for I am slow of speech and slow of tongue.”

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B. God is with us and works through us and we can do whatever he calls us to do

Jeremiah 17:9

⁹ “The heart is more deceitful than all else
And is desperately sick;
Who can understand it?

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- II. God is the one who works in us and through us.
 - A. God is the one who watches over his Word to perform it
 - B. God is the one who accomplishes his plans