

A Study of the Prophets

O.T. Survey Lesson 157--Jeremiah 30:1-31:40

Introduction: Henstenburg called these chapters "the triumphal hymn of Israel's salvation" (Keil); for, in it Jeremiah looks past the immediate conditions of Judah's judgment and punishment to future deliverance through the seed of David, the Messiah. This message was intended to give hope to the godly who went into captivity.

Lesson aim: To understand God's promise of the new covenant.

Promise of deliverance declared--Jeremiah 30:1-31:26

- 1.1. What does God instruct Jeremiah to do with the prophecy He is about to reveal to him? (v. 2) What future event does this prophecy concern? (v. 3)
2. Jeremiah prophesied that the Jews would serve whom in the future? (v. 9) Who would be their king? (v. 9) Who fulfilled this prophecy?
3. Describe the wounds and injuries God had afflicted upon Judah? (v. 12-15) Yet, what would God do? (v. 16-17)
4. Describe the future condition of Judah after the captivity (v. 18-22).
5. What motivates God's gracious treatment of Israel? (31:1-6) What blessings would this cause Israel to receive?
6. What did God say He would do in v. 7-9? Why?
7. In the future God's people would be satisfied with what? (v. 10-14)
8. What is Rachel pictured as doing in v. 15? What use did Matthew make of this prophecy? (Mt. 2:16-18)

9. Was God's blessings promised to those who repented or to all the Israelites? (v. 18-20)

**The new covenant of God with His people--
Jeremiah 31:27-40**

1. What does God indicate He will do in v. 27-28?
2. What does Jeremiah prophesy God's people will not say? (v. 29) Why?
3. Describe the nature of the new covenant of which Jeremiah prophesies (v. 31-34)
4. What is God saying about His relationship with the covenant people in v. 35-37?
5. What is Jeremiah saying about the city of Jerusalem? (v. 38-40) Is this prophecy fulfilled literally or spiritually?