

We continue in our series on applied doctrine, and in particular, the Covenant of Grace Applied. God's promises to the church in Jeremiah 32:38-41 is to correct the problem of the divided heart among a people who feared the Lord but served their idols, including their children and their children's children (See 2 Kings 17:41).

In preparation for Sunday, I encourage you to read Jeremiah 31-32 keenly looking for the Covenant of Grace, what God promises within it, the intended effects God's designs for his people, and our mutual responsibility as a consequence of God giving Grace to us.

Read Jeremiah 32:38-41 several times for familiarity, and use the outline to pray through it, praying for your benefit personally, for me as I seek to preach and apply such a glorious promise as the Covenant of Grace, and for our church in receiving God's intended blessings for our mutual good.

Seeking to live together with you upon a God who delights to do good to his people always.

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THE COVENANT OF GRACE APPLIED

“The Correction of Mongrel Religion— The Foundation for the Life and Longevity of the Church” Jeremiah 32:38-41

They shall be My people, and I will be their God; ³⁹then I will give them one heart and one way, that they may fear Me forever, for the good of them and their children after them. ⁴⁰And I will make an everlasting covenant with them, that I will not turn away from doing them good; but I will put My fear in their hearts so that they will not depart from Me. ⁴¹Yes, I will rejoice over them to do them good, and I will assuredly plant them in this land, with all My heart and with all My soul.'

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