

Deuteronomy 30:5

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And the LORD thy God will bring thee into the land which thy fathers possessed, and thou shalt possess it; and he will do thee good, and multiply thee above thy fathers.

Analysis

And the LORD thy God will bring thee into the land which thy fathers possessed, and thou shalt possess it; and he will do thee good, and multiply thee above thy fathers. God promises not merely return but restoration exceeding original blessing - multiply thee above thy fathers. Divine restoration doesn't merely recover what was lost but surpasses previous glory.

The phrase land which thy fathers possessed connects restoration to original covenant promises. The same land promised to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob will again belong to their descendants. God's covenant faithfulness spans generations despite judgment.

The promise he will do thee good emphasizes divine initiative in blessing. Restoration comes not from Israel's merit but God's gracious action. Though judgment came through their sin, restoration comes through His mercy.

This pattern prefigures gospel restoration where believers receive far more than Adam lost - not merely Eden regained but eternal glory in Christ surpassing original creation.

Historical Context

Return from Babylon brought partial fulfillment - Jews reoccupied Judea and rebuilt the temple. However, they never regained Davidic dynasty's glory or full territorial extent, awaiting eschatological fulfillment.

Christian theology sees complete fulfillment in new heavens and new earth where God dwells with redeemed humanity forever.

Related Passages

1 John 4:8 — God is love

John 15:13 — Greatest form of love

Study Questions

1. What does restoration exceeding original blessing teach about God's grace?
2. How does covenant faithfulness span generations despite judgment?
3. Why is restoration based on divine initiative rather than human merit?
4. How does this pattern prefigure gospel restoration in Christ?
5. What does partial fulfillment teach about awaiting complete eschatological restoration?

Interlinear Text

וְהֵבִיאֲכָ	יְהוָה ה	אֱלֹהֵי יְכָ	אֵל	הָאָרֶץ	אֲשֶׁר
will bring	And the LORD	thy God	H413	thee into the land	H834
H935	H3068	H430		H776	
וְיִרְשָׁתָּהּ	מֵאֲבֹתֶיךָ:	וְיִרְשָׁתָּהּ			
and thou shalt possess	thee above thy fathers	and thou shalt possess			
H3423	H1	H3423			
וְהִיטֵבָּ	וְהִרְבָּ	מֵאֲבֹתֶיךָ:			
it and he will do thee good	and multiply	thee above thy fathers			
H3190	H7235	H1			

Additional Cross-References

Jeremiah 29:14 (References Lord): And I will be found of you, saith the LORD: and I will turn away your captivity, and I will gather you from all the nations, and from all the places whither I have driven you, saith the LORD; and I will bring you again into the place whence I caused you to be carried away captive.