

# Jeremiah 30:3

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

For, lo, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will bring again the captivity of my people Israel and Judah, saith the LORD: and I will cause them to return to the land that I gave to their fathers, and they shall possess it.

## Analysis

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The phrase 'I will bring again the captivity' uses the Hebrew 'shub shebut' - a wordplay on returning/restoring. This promise transcends the Babylonian exile, pointing to ultimate restoration when Israel recognizes her Messiah (Rom 11:25-26). God's covenant with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob remains unbreakable despite Israel's unfaithfulness. The land promise finds ultimate fulfillment in the new heavens and new earth.

## Historical Context

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This begins the 'Book of Consolation' (chapters 30-33), delivered while Jeremiah was imprisoned. Even in judgment's darkest hour, God promises ultimate restoration.

## Related Passages

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**Hebrews 11:1** — Definition of faith

**Romans 1:17** — The righteous shall live by faith

## Study Questions

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1. How does God's faithfulness to His ancient promises strengthen your faith?
2. What does this teach about the relationship between God's justice and His mercy?

## Interlinear Text

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הִנֵּה הַיּוֹם יְמִינֵיכֶם  
H3588 H2009 For lo the days H3117 H935 come H5002 saith H3068 the LORD

וְשִׁבְתָּם יְמִינֵיכֶם  
and I will cause them to return H7725 H853 the captivity H7622 H5971 of my people H3478 Israel

בְּאֶרֶץ אֶמְרֵה יְהִי הַיּוֹם וְשִׁבְתָּם יְמִינֵיכֶם  
and Judah saith the LORD and I will cause them to return H3063 H559 H3068 H7725 H413 to the land H776

לְאָבוֹתָם נָתַתִּי אֲשֶׁר  
that I gave to their fathers and they shall possess H834 H5414 H1 H3423

## Additional Cross-References

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**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.

**Ezekiel 20:42** (References Lord): And ye shall know that I am the LORD, when I shall bring you into the land of Israel, into the country for the which I lifted up mine hand to give it to your fathers.

**Jeremiah 30:18** (References Lord): Thus saith the LORD; Behold, I will bring again the captivity of Jacob's tents, and have mercy on his dwellingplaces; and the

city shall be builded upon her own heap, and the palace shall remain after the manner thereof.

**Jeremiah 16:15** (References Lord): But, The LORD liveth, that brought up the children of Israel from the land of the north, and from all the lands whither he had driven them: and I will bring them again into their land that I gave unto their fathers.

**Jeremiah 32:44** (References Lord): Men shall buy fields for money, and subscribe evidences, and seal them, and take witnesses in the land of Benjamin, and in the places about Jerusalem, and in the cities of Judah, and in the cities of the mountains, and in the cities of the valley, and in the cities of the south: for I will cause their captivity to return, saith the LORD.

**Jeremiah 33:26** (Parallel theme): Then will I cast away the seed of Jacob, and David my servant, so that I will not take any of his seed to be rulers over the seed of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob: for I will cause their captivity to return, and have mercy on them.

**Hebrews 8:8** (References Lord): For finding fault with them, he saith, Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah:

**Psalms 53:6** (References Israel): Oh that the salvation of Israel were come out of Zion! When God bringeth back the captivity of his people, Jacob shall rejoice, and Israel shall be glad.

**Joel 3:1** (Parallel theme): For, behold, in those days, and in that time, when I shall bring again the captivity of Judah and Jerusalem,

**Ezekiel 36:24** (Parallel theme): For I will take you from among the heathen, and gather you out of all countries, and will bring you into your own land.