

Jeremiah 46:28

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

Fear thou not, O Jacob my servant, saith the LORD: for I am with thee; for I will make a full end of all the nations whither I have driven thee: but I will not make a full end of thee, but correct thee in measure; yet will I not leave thee wholly unpunished.

Analysis

In the midst of prophecies of judgment on nations, God promises not to make 'a full end' of Israel. Though scattered, disciplined, and punished, God will preserve a remnant. This echoes the Abrahamic covenant's unconditional promise (Gen 12:1-3). God's chastening of His people proves His covenant faithfulness - He won't let them go, won't utterly destroy them. This grounds Christian assurance in God's electing love, not our performance.

Historical Context

This promise sustained Jewish hope through exile, diaspora, and centuries of dispersion. God's faithfulness to His covenant people ultimately points to Christ as the true Israel who fulfills all promises.

Related Passages

Ephesians 2:8 — Salvation by grace through faith

John 3:16 — God's love and salvation

Study Questions

1. How does God's promise to never make 'a full end' of His people encourage you?
2. What's the relationship between God's discipline and His covenant love?

Interlinear Text

כִּי יְהִי הַנָּאָמָן אֶל־אַתָּה
H859 H408 Fear my servant thou not O Jacob saith the LORD H3588

H3372 H5650 H3290 H5002 H3068

בְּכָל־הַאֲתָבָה אֶעֱשֶׂה הַמְּלָאָמָן
H854 H589 H3588 for I am with thee for I will make a full end H3605

H6213 H3617

לֹא־וְאַתָּה שֶׁמֶה הַדְּבָרִתִּי בְּךָ אֲשֶׁר־בְּגַוְן־סִן
of all the nations H834 whither I have driven H8033 H853 H3808

H1471 H5080

לְמִשְׁפָּט תִּשְׁפַּט אֶעֱשֶׂה הַמְּלָאָמָן
for I am with thee for I will make a full end of thee but correct thee in measure H4941

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לֹא־אַנְקַרְבָּן אַנְקַרְבָּן
unpunished H3808 unpunished H5352

Additional Cross-References

Revelation 3:19 (Parallel theme): As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent.

Jeremiah 10:24 (References Lord): O LORD, correct me, but with judgment; not in thine anger, lest thou bring me to nothing.

Jeremiah 30:11 (References Lord): For I am with thee, saith the LORD, to save thee: though I make a full end of all nations whither I have scattered thee, yet will I not make a full end of thee: but I will correct thee in measure, and will not leave thee altogether unpunished.

Jeremiah 4:27 (References Lord): For thus hath the LORD said, The whole land shall be desolate; yet will I not make a full end.

1 Corinthians 11:32 (References Lord): But when we are judged, we are chastened of the Lord, that we should not be condemned with the world.

Isaiah 43:2 (Parallel theme): When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee: when thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burned; neither shall the flame kindle upon thee.

Psalms 46:11 (References Lord): The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. Selah.

Psalms 46:7 (References Lord): The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. Selah.

Jeremiah 1:19 (References Lord): And they shall fight against thee; but they shall not prevail against thee; for I am with thee, saith the LORD, to deliver thee.

Jeremiah 25:9 (References Lord): Behold, I will send and take all the families of the north, saith the LORD, and Nebuchadrezzar the king of Babylon, my servant, and will bring them against this land, and against the inhabitants thereof, and against all these nations round about, and will utterly destroy them, and make them an astonishment, and an hissing, and perpetual desolations.