December 2014 Theme: An Everlasting Love (Jeremiah 31:3)

Text: Jeremiah 31

"FOR I AM A FATHER TO ISRAEL"

(I) AN OUTSTANDING RELATIONSHIP

- 1. God and People
 - a) The God of all the families of Israel (Jeremiah 31:1)
 - b) They shall be My people (Jeremiah 31:1)
- 2. A Father to Israel
 - a) Declaration of Fatherhood
 - b) Demonstration of Fatherhood

(II) THE PROMISES OF A FATHER-GOD

- 1. Grace in the wilderness (Jeremiah 31:2)
- 2. Rest (Jeremiah 31:2)
- 3. An everlasting love (Jeremiah 31:3)
 - a) Drawn (Jeremiah 31:3)
 - b) Rebuilding (Jeremiah 31:4)
- 4. Adorned with joy (Jeremiah 31:4)
- 5. Re-gathering (Jeremiah 31:8)
 - a) The dispersed
 - b) The blind
 - c) The lame
 - d) The woman with child

e) A great throng (Jeremiah 31:8)

(III) APPROPRIATE RESPONSE

1. Desire to worship God

"Arise, let us go up to Zion to the LORD our God..." Jeremiah 31:6

2. Declaration of faith in God

"Proclaim, give praise... " **Jeremiah 31:7**

3. Determination to pray

"O LORD, save Your people, the remnant of Israel..." **Jeremiah 31:7**