

time." If this means what it seems to mean, that the children in these days of spiritual blessing, shall occupy their old place as fellow-members with their parents in the household of God, then the word is most aptly and beautifully placed. What else it can mean in that connection is not apparent.

Chap. 31, verse 1 runs thus: "At that same time, saith the Lord, will I be the God of all the families of Israel, and they shall be my people." Here is the very crowning promise of the new covenant broadly announced in favor of "all the families of Israel."

Then, in the 34th verse, the promise at the very heart of the new covenant contains these words: "For they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest of them." Is it hard for a parent to find all his children, great and small, placed wittingly by God Himself in this, the heart of our great spiritual Magna Charta? These words may include the rich and the poor, the exalted and the lowly; but first and most naturally, they signify the big and the little, me and all my children. From these pro-