

whole household shall "know Him," from the least of them to the greatest of them. Then the hearts of stone shall be hearts of flesh.

Does he yearn over his children, that they may have power to do Christ's work in this needy world? He can put in his covenant claim for the crowning promise, that God shall put His laws into their mind, and write them in their hearts." Then He shall be to them a God, and they shall be to Him a people—an army—able and eager to do His will in earth as it is done in heaven.

What, then, is the attitude of the believing parent in presenting his child in baptism? This is the attitude he has a right to take. He can look upon that ordinance as signifying and sealing to his child exactly what it signifies and seals to himself. He not only gives over his child to God, as Hannah did, to be His in life and in death, but he *accepts for the child*, on God's promise, its engrafting into Christ, its right to all the benefits of the covenant of grace, and its own future self-yielding to be the Lord's.