



Watch the Bible story video or read all or parts of Jeremiah 17; 31 from the Bible.



Have you ever seen one of those TV shows where people buy an old, run-down house and make it look totally new again? It's always fascinating to see how they can take something that everyone believed was ruined and make it into something beautiful and special. But that is nothing compared to the work God does to bring dead hearts back to life!

The prophet Jeremiah warned the people of Judah about the consequences that would come because they were disobedient and had broken their covenant with God. But with those words of bad news, Jeremiah also shared a message of good news. He told the people about a day when God would forgive sin and change people's hearts. Jesus made these words come true!

God forgives our sin through His Son, Jesus. He changes us and gives us power through His Spirit to obey His commands. Jesus did not come to get rid of the law. Through His sinless life, Jesus fulfilled the requirements of the old covenant. When we trust in Jesus, we are credited with His righteousness and our changed hearts enable us to want to follow in Christ's footsteps and obey God as well.

Like God's people, we all have sinful hearts that do not obey God or love Him rightly. Through Jesus' death on the cross, God made a new covenant. Those who trust in Jesus have their sin forgiven and have the law written on their hearts.

**Pray:** Thank You, Father, for sending Jesus to bring us a new covenant. Through His sacrifice, we can be redeemed and can live in a loving relationship with You forever. Amen.



The key passage below is focused on at church. Consider talking about what this passage means and memorizing it as well.



# The LORD is good to everyone; his compassion rests on all he has made.

Psalm 145:9



Finish your family worship experience by playing the key passage song. This song is a helpful way to worship as your family learns and memorizes the key passage.



# Mornings

Ask God to help you understand His Word—the Bible—so you can live in a way that glorifies Him. How can spending time in the Bible help you to see God's love and provision for your life?

# **Evenings**

Thank Jesus for living a life of perfect obedience and giving those who trust in Him a righteousness they could never earn on their own. Because Jesus credits us with His righteousness, we can now have the desire and ability to follow God's commandments.



## For Fun

Plan a trip to a flea market or secondhand store. Work as a family to select an item you think you can "flip" into something new and better. It could involve putting a new coat of paint on a lamp or a completely re-purposing of an old coffee table. Over the next few weeks, work on the renovation project and discuss how Jesus gives the ultimate restoration and renovation by giving us new hearts when we believe in Him!

## To Serve

Use multicolored construction paper to cut out large hearts. Use a hole punch to place a hole at the top-center of each heart. Work as a family to write the words or phrases of Jeremiah 31:33-34 on the hearts. Weave string or yarn through the holes in each heart to make a pennant string flag. Make several sets and gift the pennant string to neighbors or church members.