

- A. Jehovah's blessing rests upon His church, in every age, and in every part.
- B. That His blessing rests upon us is our comfort, at the beginning of AD 2017.

Moses' Blessing Upon Reuben

- I. Necessary.
  - A. Generally, Reuben must be blessed because Reuben was a tribe in Israel, part of God's covenant.
  
  - B. Specifically, this blessing of preservation was necessary because Reuben deserved to die, so needed the assurance that he would live.
  
- II. Gracious.
  - A. This blessing on Reuben, as well as on the church of Christ always, is a word of grace.
  
  
  - B. Reuben would experience this grace in the way of continuing in her union to the whole nation, and respecting the distinct privileges given to Judah and Levi.
  
- III. Prophetic.
  - A. Moses' pronouncement of Jehovah's grace was a prophetic word.
  
  
  - B. This prophecy found its fulfillment for Reuben, and finds its fulfillment in the church, in the way of our living as God's covenant people.