

## Introduction

Your final restoration is in Christ.

1. **You are right to look for restoration.**
  - a. Josiah sought the restoration of all Israel. (2 Chron. 34:29-33)
  - b. You are right to have a profound sense that things are not right. (2 Chron. 34:19)
  - c. You are right to strive, by God's help, to make things right. (2 Chron. 34:33)
2. **God may grant you some measure of restoration in this life.**
  - a. Josiah's reforms were good and effective for a time. (2 Kings 23:1-20; 2 Chron. 34-35)
  - b. God promised Josiah peace in his day. (2 Chron. 34:28)
  - c. God does not always grant even the limited success for which we may reasonably look in this life. (Is. 49:4; Jer. 45; Heb. 11:36-40)
3. **Your ultimate restoration is hidden in Christ.**
  - a. Josiah was the high-water mark of the Davidic Monarchy. (2 Kings 23:25)
  - b. Josiah's greatness was to be like Christ.
  - c. Josiah could not be Christ.
  - d. The restoration you are seeking can only come through the Cross.