

- A. Godly fathers desire true spiritual unity with their sons. This true spiritual unity is a unity of heart - sharing the same values, priorities, spiritual convictions.
- B. Our text encourages each of us - fathers and sons alike - to maintain this spiritual unity, and to work harder to enjoy it in our own lives.

Unity of Hearts

- I. The Son's Wise Heart.
 - A. The son (and by implication, daughter) who is addressed is a member of God's covenant.
 - 1. From this viewpoint we can explain his wisdom.
 - 2. Also from this viewpoint we can see that his wisdom is a matter of his heart.
 - B. This wisdom in heart, the father desires the son to manifest in speech and actions.
 - C. Such wisdom in covenant youth is a gift of God's grace.
- II. The Father's Joyful Heart.
 - A. The earthly father (and by implication mother) assures his child that in the way of his child being wise, the father/parent will enjoy greatest joy.
 - B. Inspiring these words as part of His Word to us, our heavenly Father assures all His covenant children that in the way of our partaking of and manifesting the Wisdom that is from Him, He also rejoices.