

EPH 2:14-18

THE BODY THATS UNITED

- THE ENMITY BETWEEN - JEW + GENTILE
WAS - DEEP - ANCIENT + ENDURING -
- "
- THE JEWS = REGARDED GENTILES AS -
UNCLEAN - SCAVENGER - DOGS -
- THE GENTILES = DESPISED THE JEWS -
AS "RELIGIOUS HYPOCRITES" - ALONG
WITH - THEIR "RITUAL LAWS"
ESPECIALLY - THE LAWS CONCERNING
- CLEAN + UNCLEAN FOOD -

"SO"
THIS MADE IT VIRTUALLY IMPOSSIBLE
FOR A JEW - TO HAVE - "TABLE"
"FELLOWSHIP" WITH A GENTILE -
(PETER AT ANTIOCH) "SO"

SOCIAL INTERCOURSE - WAS NOT
A CONSIDERATION - & WAS, "FOR
THE MOST PART" - FORBIDDEN -

"SO"

THERE WAS - AS STATED BY PAUL
"A"

"MIDDLE WALL OF PARTITION" -

- BETWEEN THEM -

IT WAS "PHYSICAL" -- IN THE TEMPLE?

GENTILES COULD GO NO FARTHER THAN
THE OUTER COURT OF GENTILES

"BUT"

"ALSO" -- "A SPIRITUAL WALL" -- THE
THE LAW -- & -- ORDINANCES (15)

"SO"

PAUL USED A PHYSICAL BARRIER ⁽⁴⁾
AS A TYPE -- A PICTURE -- OF THIS
"DIVISION"

IN THE ANCIENT WORLD -- BETWEEN
-- JEW & GENTILE --

"THIS"

"MIDDLE WALL" -- "BARRIER" -- "IS"
"BROKEN DOWN" -- SO THE
~~JEW~~ JEW & GENTILE -- MEET ON --
COMMON GROUND -- "WE"

"ARE ALL ONE IN CHRIST"

"THE SACRIFICE OF CHRIST" -- DID AWAY
WITH -- "THE OBSTACLES" -- "RITUALS"
& LAWS -- "EVEN" (THE LAW OF
COMMANDMENTS -- IN ORDINANCES) (15)

- THE OLD BARRIER BEING ABOLISHED -

- JEW + GENTILE ARE NOW "UNITED" -

- IN CHRIST AND HIS CHURCH -

(VS 15) - ONE NEW MAN -

"NOT"

THE INDIVIDUAL BELIEVER -

"BUT"

- "THE CHURCH" "THE INDIVIDUAL"
- "BODY OF CHRIST" -

(COR 12:12-13) (COL 3:10-11) &
(HEB 12:23 - TO NAME A FEW REF)

- THUS MAKING PEACE -

"TO MAKE -IN HIMSELF- OF TWAIN
"ONE NEW MAN" (15)

"HERE IS"

THE PROFOUND NEW TESTAMENT
DOCTRINE - OF THE CHRISTIAN -

- THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH - & -

THE NATURE OF THE CHRISTIAN
CHURCH

= THE BODY THAT IS UNIFIED -
"IS"
"THE CHURCH" - WHICH IS --

IT ABSOLUTELY NEW - 14-15

(A) "IT IS BROUGHT INTO BEING BY CHRIST"
-- IT IS SOMETHING THAT WAS NOT
THERE BEFORE --

"COMPARABLE" TO WHAT HAPPENED -- IN
THE BEGINNING -- WHEN GOD CREATED
-- THE HEAVENS & THE EARTH --

"CREATION"

-- THERE WAS NOTHING THERE BEFORE --
THAT IS:

"BRINGING SOMETHING INTO BEING" -- THAT
WAS -- "NOT PREVIOUSLY THERE" --

THUS "THE CHURCH"

"CREATED" -- "IN HIMSELF" V.S. 15 N.K.J.
THAT IS: "IN CHRIST",

(B) AS NEW CREATIONS --
"SD"

AS WE ENTER -- THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH --
WE DO SO -- AS "NEW CREATIONS" --

(II COR 5:17)

IF ANY MAN BE IN CHRIST -- HE
IS A -- "NEW CREATION" --

"OVER"

"OLD" - HAS PASSED AWAY --
-- ALL - HAS BECOME NEW --

"WITH"

II] A ACCOMPANINING BROTHERHOOD

NOTE:

(16)

IT IS AN -- ESTABLISHED
(NEW BODY) - WITH ALL MEN --

(A) THE CHURCH IS THE "BODY OF CHRIST"
-- -- -- "WITH"

"COMMON MEMBERS" - - WHICH ARE
ALL BELIEVERS -

"ALL BELIEVERS ARE EQUAL" - IN
THIS - "MARVELOUS MYSTICAL BODY" -

(B) WE ARE ALL ONE - IN CHRIST -
A UNITED CHURCH - HIS CHURCH -
"SO"

WE ENJOY - HARMONY AND PEACE
BECAUSE :

WE ARE INDIVIDUALLY IS CHILDREN
- AND TOGETHER - HIS BODY -
- THE CHURCH -

- III OUR ASSOCIATION PROCLAIMED -
 (AS ONE BODY) 17-18
 ↗ AN ABSOLUTELY NEW CREATIVITY -
 ↗ AN ACCOMPANING BROTHERHOOD -
 ↗ "NEW"
 ↗ OUR ASSOCIATIONAL PROCLAMATION

(A) ALL DIFFERENCE GONE - (17)

GENTILES - FAIR OFF --- JEWS HIGH
 (BOTH)

"AT WAR" (NOT ONLY WITH EACH OTHER
 -- BUT WITH GOD ALSO) -

"PEACE" - WAS "PROCLAIMED" TO THEM
 "TO BOTH" - JEW & GENTILE -

(THROUGH THE BLOOD OF CHRIST) -

"SO"

ALL DIFFERENCES GONE -

ALL SIN IS PAID FOR - (WHICH WAS)

WHAT WAS NEEDED -

IN BOTH SITUATIONS -

(IN ROM 3: 22-23)

PAUL SAYS:

{ THERE IS NO DIFFERENCE; "FOR ALL"
HAVE SINNED & COME SHORT OF THE
GLORY OF GOD - }

a) THERE WAS NO DIFFERENCE

ALL HAD HEARTS OF -- PRIDE --
SELF-WILL -- REBELLION --

"ANX" --
"THE PEACE" -- "OF THE GOSPEL"
BROUGHT -- FORGIVENESS + GRACE -

TO ALL PEOPLE -- ON THE SAME LEVEL --

-- BY PUTTING THEIR TRUST -- ~~IN THEMSELVES~~
"IN CHRIST" -- ^{DIFFERENCE}
~~(ALL DISTANCE GONE)~~

(B) ALL DISTANCE GONE - (18)

a) FOR THROUONH HIM -- WE ALL (BOTH)
"HAVE ACCESS" -- BY ONE SPIRIT

a) GOD -- "THROUGH CHRIST"
REACHED DOWN + RENT THE VEIL
"SO"

WHOSEVER WILL -- ~~SEE & DO~~
JEW & GENTILE
MAY COME

ALL DISTANCE FROM GOD --
-- "GONE" --

BY ONE SPIRIT
= = =

FATHER - SON - HOLY SPIRIT ~~DO~~
"HAVE"

"UNITED" - TO BRING US BACK TO
GOD - = = = = = =
= = CH-1

FATHER'S WILL, SON'S WORK
HOLY SPIRIT'S WITNESS --

"TO UNIFY"

ALL MEN IN THE BLOOD - TO
ESTABLISH:

A BODY THAT IS UNITED
= = = = =

"SO"

- THE BLOOD THAT UNITES - (11-14)

- THE BODY THAT IS UNITED - (15-18)

NEXT

THE BUILDING THAT DELIGHTS - (19-22)

"THE HOUSEHOLD OF GOD" (19)

(18) THROUGH HIM - "WE ARE BOTH ONE"

TOGETHER FELLOW CITIZENS

- ① THE BLOOD THAT UNITES - (11-14) ⑯
- ② THE BODY THAT IS UNITED - (15-18) ⑰
- ③ THE BUILDING THAT DELIGHTS - (19-22) ⑱

NOW THEREFORE[¶] ⑲

(THE CONCLUDING STATEMENTS -- ABOUT
-- ALL HE HAS BEEN SAYING --)

- ① WHAT GOD HAS DONE - THROUGH CHRIST
- ② THE MIDDLE WALL -- THE LAW OF
COMMANDMENTS - IN ORDINANCES -
HAS BEEN TAKEN AWAY -
- ③ THERE IS NOW AN ENTRY - INTO THE
PRESENCE OF GOD -- IN CHRIST --
THROUGH THE HOLY SPIRIT -

(THE THING PAUL EMPHASIS)

"NOW" "ALL BELIEVERS" "ALL
MANKIND" "JEW & GENTILE"
ARE "ONE BODY"

ONE NEW MAN -

(THIS IS THE GOSPEL)

THE POWER OF GOD -- IN CHRIST -- THROUGH
THE HOLY SPIRIT -- BRING ALL MEN --
TOGETHER -

THIS MAKES US "FELLOW CITIZENS" -