

Ephesians

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In Christ and In Covenant

Ephesians 2 : 11 - 13

11 Therefore, remember that formerly you who are Gentiles by birth and called 'uncircumcised' by those who call themselves 'the circumcision' (which is done in the body by human hands) – **12** remember that at that time you were separate from Christ, excluded from citizenship in Israel and foreigners to the covenants of the promise, without hope and without God in the world. **13** But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far away have been brought near by the blood of Christ.

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- that formerly you who are Gentiles by birth and called 'uncircumcised' by those who call themselves 'the circumcision' (which is done in the body by human hands) –

He doesn't believe being born on the right side of the tracks [Jewish] makes you a better "person" but that it did have some incredible advantages.

- remember that [when] you were separate from Christ,
- [you were] excluded from citizenship in Israel

*Then I will take you for My people, and I will be your God; and you shall know that I am the Lord [I am that I am : Jehovah] your God, who brought you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians.
Exodus 6 : 7*

The greatest blessing of being Jewish was that **you obtained the revelation of who the one true God was, how to worship Him, and how to live and walk in His ways.**

- and [thus] foreigners to the covenants of the promise,
 - **The Lord will provide** (*Jehovah Jireh*) Genesis 22:14
 - **The Lord will heal** (*Jehovah Rapha*) Exodus 15:26
 - **The Lord is my refuge in times of trouble** (*Jehovah Nissi*) Exodus 17:15
 - **The Lord will sanctify me** (*Jehovah Mekoddishkem*) Exodus 31:13
 - **The Lord will give me peace** (*Jehovah Shalom*) Judges 6:24
 - **The Lord will fight for me** (*Jehovah Sabaoth*) 1 Samuel 1:3
 - **The Lord is my Shepherd and will guide me** (*Jehovah Raah*) Psalms 23:1.
 - **The Lord judges me righteous and prospers me** (*Jehovah Tsidkenu*) Jeremiah 23:6
 - **The Lord is close by and He is my hope** (*Jehovah Shammah*) Ezekiel 48:35
- [We were] without hope and without God in the world. **13** But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far away have been brought near by the blood of Christ.

*28 For he is not a Jew who is one outwardly, nor is circumcision that which is outward in the flesh. 29 But he is a Jew who is one inwardly; and circumcision is that which is of the heart, by the Spirit, not by the letter; and his praise is not from men, but from God.
Romans 2*