

Strangers Who Belong

Life in Christ: Wealth, Walk, Warfare (Ephesians) – Part 59

Ephesians 2:19

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¹⁴For He Himself is our peace, who made the both one, and broke down the dividing wall of the partition, the hostility, in His flesh, ¹⁵by rendering inoperative the law of commandments in regulations, in order that He might create the two into one new man, making peace, ¹⁶and might reconcile them both in one body to God

by means of the cross, having killed the hostility by it. ¹⁷And He came *and* told the good news of peace to you — those far off — and peace to those near; ¹⁸because through Him we have access, the both *of us*, in one Spirit to the Father. ¹⁹Wherefore then you are no longer strangers and temporarily-housed,¹ but *rather* you are the holy ones' fellow-citizens, and members of God's household,² (*DJP*)

Introduction:

I. “Strangers and Temporarily-Housed”

A. Once, _____

B. But “_____”

C. (And Yet)

1 Peter ____:11

John ____:19

II. “The Holy Ones’ Fellow-Citizens”

A. What This *Does Not* Mean

B. What This *Does* Mean

Colossians 1:_____

Philippians 3:_____

C. Implications for Citizens

1. Obligations

a. I should be able to _____ my citizenship

Matthew ____:19

Matthew :____, ____

b. I must be loyal to my _____

Romans ____:9

¹ I.e. *sojourners*; Gk *paroikos* rendered literally to bring out recurrence of *oik-* (*house*) root in this passage.

² I.e. family members; Gk *oikeios* rendered literally to bring out recurrence of *oik-* (*house*) root in this passage.

- c. I must follow my country's constitution and laws
1 Corinthians __:9-10
Ephesians __:5

2. Blessing:

Hebrews ____:28

III. Members of God's _____

A. What This *Does Not* Mean

B. What This *Does* Mean

John __:11-12

Ephesians 1:____

C. Implications for Family Members

1. Blessings

- a. Fatherly _____ and compassion

John ____:26-27

Ps ____:13-14

- b. Conforming to _____
Rom __:29

- c. Fatherly discipline

Hebrews ____:7

- d. Inheritance after _____ing

Romans 8:16-17

- e. Purifying _____

1 John 3:1

2. Obligations

- a. _____ing our Father *concretely*

Malachi __:6-8

- b. Loving His _____ *concretely*

1 John __:1

1 John __:14