

Peace and Reconciliation in Christ Alone

Life in Christ: Wealth, Walk, Warfare (Ephesians) – Part 57

Ephesians 2:14-18

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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 both have access in one Spirit to the Father. (*DJP*)

Introduction:

I. God's _____ Achieved (vv. 14-16)

A. First: Peace By Creating One New Man (vv. 14-15)

1. The _____ (v. 14a)
 2. The _____ (vv. 14b-15a)
 - a. **Positively:** unifying (v. 14b)
 - b. **Negatively** (vv. 14c-15a)
 - i. De_____ing (v. 14c)
 - ii. De_____ing (v. 15a)
 3. The goal (v. 15b)
 - a. It was an act of _____
 - b. What God created was _____
 - c. This creation was _____

B. Second: To Reconcile Both to God in One Body (v. 16)

1. Agent and means: the _____
2. The goal: reconciliation

¹ Or *in Him*.

a. The problem: “_____”

b. The parties:

c. The catalyst: the _____

d. The result: **reconciliation**

i. Word

ii. Meaning:

II. God’s Achievement Proclaimed (v. 17)

A. ...By _____

Acts ____:36-44

B. ...As _____

Ephesians __:15

C. ...To _____

III. God’s Achievement Enjoyed (v. 18)

A. It Is **ALL** the Redeemed [“we both have access”]

B. It Is _____

C. It Is _____