

<sup>A</sup> <sup>11</sup> Therefore remember that at one time you Gentiles in the flesh,  
<sup>B</sup> called "the uncircumcision" by what is called the circumcision,  
which is made in the flesh by hands—  
<sup>C</sup> <sup>12</sup> remember that you were at that time separated from Christ,  
<sup>D</sup> alienated from the commonwealth of Israel  
<sup>E</sup> and strangers to the covenants of promise,  
<sup>F</sup> having no hope and without God in the world.  
<sup>G</sup> <sup>13</sup> But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the  
blood of Christ.  
<sup>H</sup> <sup>14</sup> For he himself is our *peace*, who has made us both one and has broken down  
in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility  
<sup>I</sup> <sup>15</sup> by abolishing the law of commandments expressed in ordinances,  
**that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so**  
**making *peace*,**  
<sup>H'</sup> <sup>16</sup> and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby  
killing the hostility.  
<sup>G'</sup> <sup>17</sup> And he came and preached *peace* to you who were far off and *peace* to those who  
were near.  
<sup>F'</sup> <sup>18</sup> For through him *we both* have access in one Spirit to the Father.  
<sup>E'</sup> <sup>19</sup> So then you are no longer strangers and aliens,  
<sup>D'</sup> but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God,  
<sup>C'</sup> <sup>20</sup> built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets,  
Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone,  
<sup>B'</sup> <sup>21</sup> in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord.  
<sup>A'</sup> <sup>22</sup> In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.

**2:11-12** – The Gentile Christians’ former status, alienated from God and his people

**2:13-18** – The reconciling work of Christ on the cross *for all*

**2:19-22** – The resulting new temple, Jews and Gentiles built on Christ