

Brought Near

Ephesians 2:13  
Message

Even though they had been separated from Christ, believing Gentiles have now been brought near to God by Christ's blood.

# Outline

Paul reflected on the change in their corporate status (2:11-22).

By lack of spiritual privilege Gentiles were separate from Christ (2:11-12)

In Christ Gentile believers have been brought near to God with believing Jews (2:13-18)

# Gentiles Brought Near (Eph 2:13)

- I. Being in Christ has changed the corporate status of Gentiles
- II. Gentiles were formerly alienated from God but have been reconciled to Him
- III. God accomplished our reconciliation through Christ's shed blood

*“to him who is far and to him who is near”*  
(Isa 57:19)

*“For the promise is for you and your children [the Jews], and for all who are far off [Gentiles], as many as the Lord our God shall call to Himself”*  
(Acts 2:39; 22:21)

*“the sons of Israel, a people near to Him”*  
(Ps 148:14; Dt 4:7; Lev 10:3)



# Model of Jerusalem Temple

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It's as if God poured forth the  
blood of His precious Son to  
carry us like a cleansing flood  
back to Himself so that we  
could be restored as His sons!