The Sign Of the Covenant

Covenant with the King Part 8

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"This is [the sign] of My COVENANT, which you shall keep and faithfully obey, between Me and you and your descendants after you: Every male among you shall be CIRCUMCISED. And you shall be circumcised in the flesh of your foreskins, and it shall be the SIGN (symbol, memorial) of the COVENANT between Me and you." (Gen. 17:10+11)



Therefore, remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, who are called "UNCIRCUMCISED" by those who called themselves "CIRCUMCISED," [itself a mere mark] which is made in the flesh by human HANDS—(Eph. 2:11)

v14 For He Himself is our peace *and* our bond of unity. He who made both *groups*—[Jews and Gentiles]— *into* one body and **BROKE DOWN** the barrier, the dividing wall [of spiritual antagonism between us],

v16 And [that He] might RECONCILE them both [Jew and Gentile, united] in one body to God through the CROSS, thereby putting to death the HOSTILITY.

- ▶ Those who want to make a good impression in public [before the Jews] try to compel you to be **CIRCUMCISED**, just so they will escape being persecuted for [faithfulness to] the **CROSS** of Christ. (Gal. 6:12)
- "He received the SIGN of circumcision, a SEAL or confirmation of the righteousness which he had by faith..." (Rom 4:11)



"Whom God DISPLAYED PUBLICLY [before the eyes of the world] as a [life-giving] sacrifice of ATONEMENT and reconciliation (propitiation) by His blood [to be received] through faith. This was to DEMONSTRATE His righteousness... It was to DEMONSTRATE His righteousness at the present time...." (Rom. 3:25+26)



"But as for me, brothers, if I am still preaching **CIRCUMCISION** [as I had done before I met Christ; and as some accuse me of doing now, as necessary for salvation], why am I still being persecuted [by Jews]? In that case the STUMBLING BLOCK of the CROSS [to unbelieving Jews] has been abolished. (Gal. 5:11)



For the MESSAGE OF THE CROSS is foolishness [absurd and illogical] to those who are perishing and spiritually dead [because they reject it], but to us who are being saved [by God's grace] it is [the manifestation of] the POWER OF GOD. (1 Cor 1:18)



* "Christ purchased our freedom and redeemed us from the curse of the Law and its condemnation by **BECOMING A CURSE** for us for it is written, "CURSED IS EVERYONE WHO HANGS [CRUCIFIED] ON A TREE (CROSS)"— 14 in order that in Christ Jesus the BLESSING of Abraham might also come to the Gentiles, so that we would all receive [the realization of] the PROMISE of the [Holy] Spirit through faith. (Gal. 3:13+14)



- ► "I HAVE BEEN CRUCIFIED WITH CHRIST [that is, in Him I have SHARED HIS CRUCIFIXION]; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body I live by faith [by adhering to, relying on, and completely trusting] in the Son of God, who loved me and GAVE Himself up for me." (Gal. 2:20)
- "But far be it from me to BOAST [in anything or anyone], EXCEPT in the CROSS of our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom the world has been CRUCIFIED to me, and I to the world." (Gal 6:14)