

## Lesson 11 - Ephesians 2:11-22

At One Time . . . But Now

At That Time . . . But Now

1. REMEMBER AT THAT TIME YOU WERE:
  1. Separated from Christ
  2. Alienated from the commonwealth of Israel
  3. Strangers to the covenant of promise
  4. Without Hope
  5. Without God
  
2. BUT NOW IN CHRIST JESUS:
  1. Brought near by the blood of Christ—no longer separated from Christ but gifted/given a new position IN CHRIST  
No longer separated and no longer without God!
  2. Fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God.  
No longer strangers and aliens!
  3. Being built together into a dwelling place (a holy temple) for God by the Spirit.  
No longer without hope—established into a solid future with God!
  
3. DESTROYING THE DIVIDING WALL OF HOSTILITY:  
Enmity (arrow) New Entity

“Christ’s shed blood is the means by which God forgives the trespasses that resulted in the enmity between man and God. It is also the means by which Christ can create a new unified humanity that is reconciled to God. . . actually creating the two groups (Jews and Gentiles) into an entirely new entity. One new man, one body. Set apart by being ‘in Him.’”  
Dr. Clint E. Arnold

“Alongside the destruction of these two enmities (personal and corporate), Jesus has succeeded in creating a new society (entity), in fact a new humanity, in which alienation has given way to reconciliation and hostility to peace.”  
John Stott

4. THE HOPE OF THE HOUSEHOLD OF GOD  
IN & INTO

“May our Lord Jesus Christ Himself and God our Father, who loved us and by His grace gave us eternal encouragement and good hope, encourage your (our) hearts and strengthen you (us) in every good deed and word.”

2 Thessalonians 2:16

“May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you (us) a spirit of unity among yourselves (ourselves) as you (we) follow Christ Jesus, so that with one heart and mouth you (we) may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.”

Romans 15:5-6