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"And you (the Gentiles), who were dead in trespasses and sins; in which in times past you walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince (satan) of the power of the air, the spirit that now works in the children of disobedience; among whom also we all conducted ourselves in times past in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind; and were by nature the children of wrath, even as others. But God, who is rich in mercy, for His great Love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in sins, has made-alive us together with Christ: by grace you are saved; and has raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus; so that in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness toward us through Christ Jesus. For by grace you are saved through faith; and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God; and not of works, lest any man should boast. For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God has beforehand ordained that we should walk in them. Therefore, remember, that you being in time past Gentiles in the flesh, who are called Uncircumcision by those who are called the Circumcision in the flesh made by hands: that at that time you were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers from the covenants of promise, **having no hope**, and **without-God** in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who sometimes were far off are made near in the blood of Christ. For He is our peace, who has made both one, and has broken-down the middle-wall, the enclosing-wall (of-separation) (between Jew and Gentile); having abolished in His flesh (His body) the enmity, even the law of commandments contained in ordinances: so that the two (Jew and Gentile) might-be-created in Himself, into one new man, (thus) making peace (between them); and might-be-reconciling them both (Jew and gentile) in one body unto God through the Cross, having slain the enmity in it; and having come (He) preached peace to you (Gentiles) who were afar off, and to those (Jews) who were near. For through Him (Jesus) we both have access in one Spirit unto the Father. Now therefore, you (Gentiles) are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints, and of the household of God; and are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, **Jesus Christ Himself being** the Chief Cornerstone; in whom all the building fitly framed together grows unto a Holy **Temple** in the Lord: in whom **you also are built together** as a dwelling-place of God in the Spirit." (Ephesians 2:1-22)

In Himself: from the Greek words <u>en hauto</u> which mean: <u>in himself;</u> in Jesus! us in Him, and He in us! It is as Jesus said:

"I will not leave you comfortless; I will come to you. Yet a little while, and the world sees Me no more; but you see Me. Because I live, you shall live also. In that day you shall know that I am in My Father, and you in Me, and I in you." (John 14:18-20)

Might-be-Created: from the Greek word *ktise* (from *kitizo*) a verb which means: to create, to form, to shape, to make; (always used in reference to God), in a continuing active sense. (From Bible-Hub: "In the New Testament, it is used to describe the divine act of creation by God. It emphasizes the power and sovereignty of God as the Creator of all things, both visible and invisible.")

The Two: from the Greek words *tous dyo* which mean: the two; referring to Jews and Gentiles. Some context: the Jews and Gentiles often lived in separate, and <u>culturally</u> different 'walled' communities, villages; or walled neighborhoods within a larger walled city. Culturally, the two were more often than not, at enmity with one another.

Into One: from the Greek words <u>eis hena</u> which mean: <u>into one</u>; as into one new man, or "one body" - as in one unified church-body of believers in Christ Jesus: through the Cross.

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New Man: from the Greek words **kainon anthropon** which mean: a <u>new man</u>; as in One New Man! Figuratively: as if all believers were collectively <u>just one</u> 'new man' in Jesus!

That Jews and Gentiles would be joined together in fellowship in Christ Jesus was indeed a fulfillment of the prophetic word of God; please consider the following:

"Behold My Servant (speaking of Jesus), whom I (God) uphold; My Chosen-one, in whom My soul delights; I have put My Spirit upon Him; He shall bring forth judgment to the Gentiles. He shall not cry, nor lift up, nor cause His voice to be heard in the street. A bruised reed shall He not break, and the smoking flax shall He not quench. He shall bring forth judgment unto truth. He shall not fail nor be discouraged, until He has set judgment in the earth; and the coastlands shall wait for His law. Thus says God the LORD, He who created the heavens, and stretched them out; He who spread forth the earth, and that which comes out of it; He who gives breath unto the people upon it, and spirit to those who walk therein; I the LORD have called You (Jesus) in righteousness, and will hold Your hand, and will keep You, and give You as a covenant of the people (Jews), as a light of the Gentiles (the non Jewish nations); to open the blind eyes, to bring out the prisoners from the prison, and those who sit in darkness out of the prison house." (Isaiah 42:1-7)

"And now, says the <u>LORD</u> who formed <u>Me (speaking of Jesus)</u> from the womb to be **His Servant**, to bring Jacob again to <u>Him</u>, so that Israel is gathered to <u>Him</u>, yet shall I be glorious in the eyes of the LORD, and <u>My God</u> shall be <u>My</u> strength. And <u>He</u> said, It is a small thing that <u>You</u> should be <u>My Servant</u> to raise up the tribes of Jacob, and to restore the preserved-ones of Israel: <u>I will also give You as a Light to the Gentiles (nations)</u>, so that **You** may be **My** (God's) **Salvation unto the end of the earth**." (Isaiah 49:5-6)

The fulfillment began with the birth of Jesus, and was recognized and prophetically reaffirmed as follows:

"And, behold, there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon; and the same man was just and devout, waiting for the <u>Consolation of Israel</u>: and the Holy Spirit was upon him. And it was revealed unto him by the Holy Spirit, that he should not see death, before he had seen **the Lord's Christ (Messiah)**. And he came by the Spirit into the Temple: and when the parents brought in **the child Jesus**, to do for <u>Him</u> after the custom of the law, then he (Simeon) took <u>Him</u> up in his arms, and blessed God, and said, 'Lord, now You are letting Your servant depart in peace, according to Your word; for my eyes have seen <u>Your Salvation</u>, which You have prepared before the face of all peoples; <u>a Light</u> to enlighten <u>the Gentiles</u>, and the glory of Your <u>people Israel.</u>" (Luke 2:25-32)

The actual fulfillment began, first with the apostle Peter, who was use by God in the conversion of the first Gentiles believers (see Acts chapters 10 and 11). Please consider these first words of Peter to Cornelius and his friends in which Peter acknowledges the 'dividing wall of separation that exists between Jews and Gentiles, and God's acceptance of Gentile believers:

"And he (Peter) said unto them, 'You know how unlawful it is for a man who is a Jew to associate, or visit someone of another nation; but God has showed me that I should not call any man common or unclean. Therefore I came unto you without objection, as soon as I was sent for. ... Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons; but in every nation he who fears Him, and works righteousness, is accepted by Him. The word which God sent unto the children of Israel, preaching peace through Jesus Christ: (for) He is Lord of everyone." (Acts 10:28-29, 34-36)

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The primary apostle to the Gentiles was Paul who wrote the <u>opening</u> verses (Ephesians 2:1-22) above. Paul wrote much concerning the coming together of Jew and Gentile into One New Man in Himself. Please consider the following:

"For this cause I Paul, the prisoner of <u>Jesus Christ</u> for you Gentiles, if you have heard of the dispensation of the grace of God which is given to me for you; how that by revelation <u>He</u> made known unto me <u>the mystery</u>; as I wrote beforehand in few words, by which, when you read, you may understand my knowledge in <u>the mystery of Christ</u>; which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto <u>His</u> holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit; <u>that the Gentiles should be fellow-heirs</u>, and <u>of the same</u> <u>Body</u>, and <u>partakers of His promise in Christ</u> through the Good-news: of which I was made a minister, according to the gift of the grace of God given unto me by the effectual working of <u>His power</u>. Unto me, who is less than the least of all saints, is this grace given, that I should preach among the Gentiles <u>the unsearchable riches of Christ</u>; and to make <u>all men</u> see what is the fellowship <u>of the mystery</u>, which from the beginning of the world has been hid in God, <u>who created all things through Jesus Christ</u>." (Ephesians 3:1-9)

"But the scripture has shut-up <u>everyone under sin</u>, so that the promise by faith of Jesus Christ might be given to those who believe. But before faith came, we were kept under the Law, shut-up unto the faith which should afterwards be revealed. Therefore, the law was our schoolmaster to bring us unto Christ, so that we might be justified by faith. But after faith has come, we are no longer under a schoolmaster. For you are all the children of God through faith in Christ Jesus. For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for you are all one in Christ Jesus. And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise." (Galatians 3:22-29)

"But what does it say? 'The word is near you, even in your mouth, and in your heart;' (Deuteronomy 30:13), that is, the word of faith, which we preach; that if you shall confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus, and shall believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you shall be saved. For with the heart man believes unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. For the scripture says, 'Whoever believes on Him shall not be ashamed.' (Isaiah 28:16) For there is no difference between the Jew and the Greek (i.e. Gentiles); for the same Lord over everyone is rich unto everyone who calls upon Him. For whoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." (Romans 10:8-13)

Jesus has Created Both Jew and Gentile into One New Man in Himself

Together believing Jews and Gentiles are fellow-heirs and partakers of God's promise!

Jesus Christ has made <u>both</u> to sit together in heavenly places in Him!!

In Christ Jesus <u>both</u> have access in one Spirit unto the Father!!

All who believe on Jesus are all One in Christ Jesus!!

Jesus in us! And us in Jesus!

Jesus You are Lord of All!
In You we now have Your unsearchable riches!!
In You we have been made-alive and created into one new man!!
By Your grace we are saved!!
Thank You Jesus!