

The Foundation Worth Remembering (part 2)

Ephesians 2:11-13

INTRODUCTION:

***Never forget that the blood of Christ
brings Gentiles into a better nearness
than the old nearness Israel had.***

I. Remember the separation from the “old” nearness, 2:11-12.

1. From the Jew’s perspective, 2:11.

2. From Messiah’s perspective, 2:12.

*You were separate from Messiah
Excluded from the citizenship of Israel, AND
Strangers to the covenants of Israel (having no hope), AND
Without God in the world.*

a. Excluded from the citizenship of Israel.

b. Hopeless strangers to the covenants of promise.

c. Godless in the world.

II. Remember the salvation into the “new” nearness, 2:13.

APPLICATION:

Don’t fall for false “nearness” categories. . . .