

L70 | Ephesians | "Reconciled unto God in One Body"

I. Intro/Review:

- New Man
 - Rom. 5, 2 Cor. 5, Gal. 6, Eph. 4, Col. 3
 - 1 Cor. 15 - last Adam, second man
- One New Man
 - Of twain (Jew and Gentile) one new man
 - Not two new man's
- "In His flesh" - "Of"
 - "Abolished" - "through"
 - "For to make" - "to"

II. Preview:

- Reconciliation
 1. Reconciliation of the World
 2. Reconciliation of the Believer - One New Man
 3. Reconciliation of the Believer in One Body
 4. Reconciliation of the Governmental Authority
- Preached Peace
- Access by One Spirit

III. Sermon:

**And that he might reconcile both unto God in one body by the cross, having slain the enmity thereby:
{Eph 2:16}**

- **"And"**
 - Additional to "abolishing in His flesh...the law" - for to make in Himself of twain one new man
- **"that He might reconcile both unto God"**
 - One new man
 - **Reconciliation** - process of changing the legal status
 - change who are at variance; receive into favour
 - 6 Contexts of Reconciliation - not each deal with eternal status of the Christian
 1. Reconciliation in Marriage - 1 Cor. 7:11 (husband & wife)
 2. Reconciliation of the World - Rom. 5:10a, 11:15, 2 Cor. 5:18-19 (world)
 3. Reconciliation of the Believer - Rom. 5:10b, 11, 2 Cor. 5:20; Col. 1:20 (you)
 4. Reconciliation of the Believers in One Body - Eph. 2:16 (us)

5. Reconciliation of the Believers in Israel - Heb. 2:17
6. Reconciliation of the Governmental Authority in Heaven & Earth - Col. 1:21, Eph. 1:10
 - Partakers of inheritance in light - Col. 1:9-14

- **"in one body"** - where, election
 - Not one nation under God
 - Gal. 6:15-16 - Israel of God walk according to the rule of the new creature
 - Eph. 2:16 - "one body" - heavenly body
 - Oneness regarding Jews and Gentiles
 - Oneness regarding Israel of God and the Body of Christ
- **"having slain the enmity thereby"**
 - All enmity by the Cross
 - Enmity with God - Rom. 5, 8
 - Enmity with one another - Jew and Gentile

**And came and preached peace to you which were afar off, and to them that were nigh.
{Eph 2:17}**

- **"And came and preached peace"**
 - The blood, His flesh, and the cross becomes the provision to do what He planned to do
 - "for to make of twain one new man...and reconcile unto God in one body"
 - Provision made
 - "came and preached peace"
 - Jew first, then Gentiles
 - What kind of peace?

**For through him we both have access by one Spirit unto the Father.
{Eph 2:18}**

- "access" - Rom. 5; Eph. 3

IV. Conclusion: