

WHICH IS BETTER?

Chapter 7

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Remain!

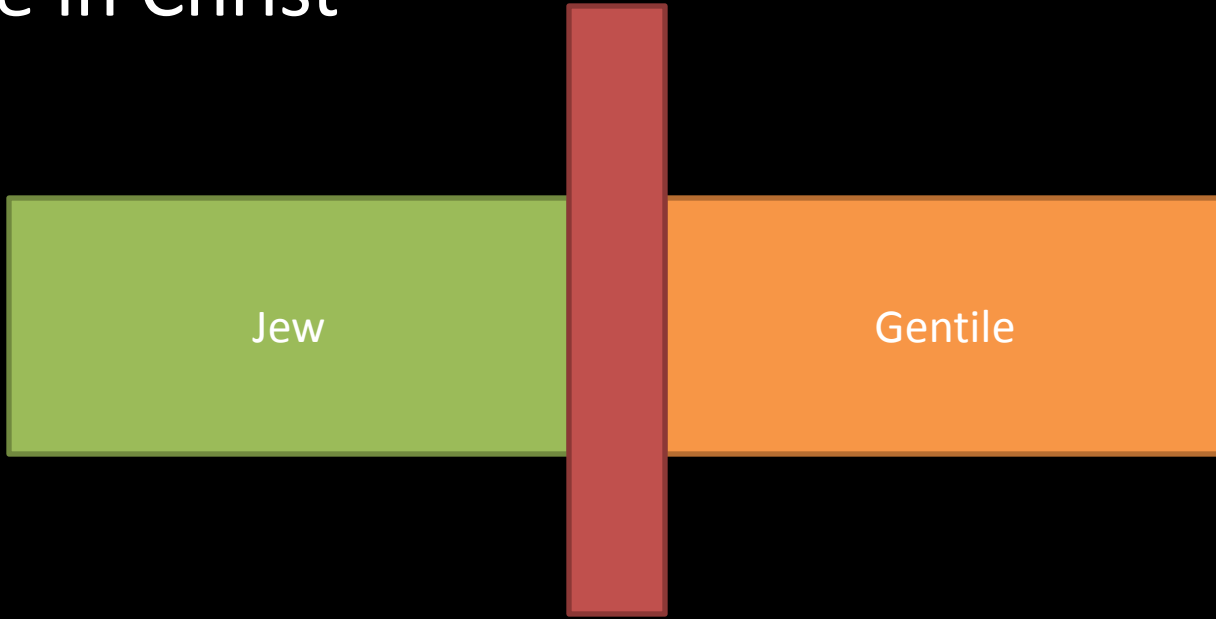
- ^{KJG} **1 Corinthians 7:20** Let every man abide in the same calling wherein he was called.
- ^{TBT} **1 Corinthians 7:20** ἕκαστος ἐν τῇ κλήσει ἣ ἐκλήθη, ἐν ταύτῃ μενέτω.

The timing

- 1Co 7:26 I suppose therefore that this is good for the present distress, I say, that it is good for a man so to be.
- 1Co 7:29 But this I say, brethren, the time is short: it remaineth, that both they that have wives be as though they had none;

Remained separate with national advantages present.

- One in Christ



What about TODAY????

- ^{KJG} **Ephesians 2:14** For he is our peace, who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition *between us*; ¹⁵ Having abolished in his flesh the enmity, *even* the law of commandments *contained* in ordinances; for to make in himself of twain one new man, so making peace;
- ^{TBT} **Ephesians 2:14** αὐτὸς γάρ ἐστιν ἡ εἰρήνη ἡμῶν, ὁ ποιήσας τὰ ἀμφότερα ἓν, καὶ τὸ μεσότοιχον τοῦ φραγμοῦ λύσας,

διὰ τὴν ἐνεστῶσαν ἀνάγκην
(1Co 7:26 TBT)

On Account of the present necessity (distress)

**MARRIAGE NOT the
FIRST CHOICE!!**

Necessary

- ^{KJG} **Hebrews 9:16** For where a testament *is*, there must also of necessity be the death of the testator. (Heb 9:16 KJG)
- ^{KJG} **Hebrews 9:23** *It was* therefore necessary that the patterns of things in the heavens should be purified with these; but the heavenly things themselves with better sacrifices than these.
- ^{TBT} **Hebrews 9:23** Ἀνάγκη οὖν τὰ μὲν ὑποδείγματα τῶν ἐν τοῖς οὐρανοῖς, τούτοις καθαρῖζεσθαι, αὐτὰ δὲ τὰ ἐπουράνια κρείττοσι θυσίαις παρὰ ταύτας.

It Remaineth (henceforth)

τὸ λοιπὸν ἔστιν (1Co 7:29 TBT)

- 29 But this I say, brethren, the time is short: it remaineth, that both they that have wives be as though they had none;
- 30 And they that weep, as though they wept not; and they that rejoice, as though they rejoiced not; and they that buy, as though they possessed not;
- 31 And they that use this world, as not abusing it: for the fashion of this world passeth away.
- 32 But I would have you without carefulness. He that is unmarried careth for the things that belong to the Lord, how he may please the Lord:
- 33 But he that is married careth for the things that are of the world, how he may please his wife.

A T Robertson (NT Word Pictures)

- The time is shortened (ο καιρος συνεσταλμενος εστιν). Perfect periphrastic passive indicative of συστελλω, old verb to place together, to draw together. Only twice in the N.T., here and #Ac 5:6 which see. Found in the papyri for curtailing expenses. Calvin takes it for the shortness of human life, **but apparently Paul pictures the foreshortening of time (opportunity) because of the possible nearness of and hope for the second coming.** But in Philippians Paul faces death as his fate, {#Php 1:21-26} though still looking for the coming of Christ. {#Php 3:20}

What about TODAY???

- ^{KJG} **1 Timothy 4:3** Forbidding to marry, *and commanding* to abstain from meats, which God hath created to be received with thanksgiving of them which believe and know the truth. (1Ti 4:3 KJG)
- ^{KJG} **1 Timothy 5:14** I will therefore that the younger women marry, bear children, guide the house, give none occasion to the adversary to speak reproachfully. (1Ti 5:14 KJG)