

### **Walk as those who have their debt cancelled. We are the true circumcision.**

4[b] When we were dead to God in our sins [ which from a Jewish point of view is to be in uncircumcision]  
[c] God made us alive with Christ

13 **καὶ ὑμᾶς νεκροὺς ὄντας ἐν τοῖς παραπτώμασιν καὶ τῇ ἀκροβυστίᾳ τῆς σαρκὸς ὑμῶν**  
And you, being dead [when you were] in the the trespasses and uncircumcision of your flesh  
**συνεζωοποίησεν ὑμᾶς σὺν αὐτῷ**

he made you alive together with him  
**χαρισάμενος ἡμῖν πάντα τὰ παραπτώματα**  
when he forgave us all our trespasses

[d] forgiving us through the cancellation of the accusation based on the laws regulations  
which was looming over our head at the time

14 **ἐξαλείψας τὸ καθ' ἡμῶν χειρόγραφον τοῖς δόγμασιν**  
[having cancelled] erasing the written code by regulations [legal demands]  
**ὃ ἦν ὑπερναντιὸν ἡμῖν,**  
which was over [stood] against us

[e] this central matter was moved to the side by Christ when He took our accusation on the cross [crucified under a hand written accusation of the Jews stated in Pilate's words]

15 **καὶ αὐτὸ ἦρκεν ἐκ τοῦ μέσου προσηλώσας αὐτὸ τῷ σταυρῷ**  
and he set it aside [out of the centre] nailing it to the cross

[f] this public humiliation of Christ was not a place of weakness but took the weapons of the powers away thast previously hurt us

15 **ἀπεκδυσάμενος τὰς ἀρχὰς καὶ τὰς ἐξουσίας ἐδειγμάτισεν ἐν παρρησίᾳ**  
and having disarmed the rulers and the authorities he paraded them openly  
**θριαμβεύσας αὐτοὺς ἐν αὐτῷ.**  
triumphing over them in it [in the cross]

### **Philippians 3.-2-3**

1. Christians need to be alert for the physical body circumcisers.

2 **Βλέπετε τοὺς κύναις,**  
Watch out for the dogs!  
9 **βλέπετε τοὺς κακοὺς ἐγάτας**  
watch out for the evil workers!

[a] They will tell you [imply] that they are the circumcision - the covenant people of God - but actually we really are.

10 **βλέπετε τὴν κατατομήν.**  
Watch out for the mutilaters of the flesh!

[b]. Our worship arises out of our union with the spirit of Christ. He teaches us to glory in Christ alone.  
[c] And so to have no confidence in our flesh.

11 **3 ἡμεῖς γὰρ ἐσμεν ἡ περιτομή,**  
for it is we who are the circumcision  
**οἱ πνευμάτι θεοῦ λατρεύοντες καὶ καυχώμενοι ἐν Χριστῷ Ἰησοῦ**  
we who worship by the spirit of God and are boasting [glory] in Christ Jesus  
**καὶ οὐκ ἐν σαρκὶ πέποιθότες.....**  
and have no confidence in the flesh.....