

## The “Before” and “After”

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### Introduction

1. Ephesians 2:1-2
2. In advertising there is often a “Before” and “After” picture
  1. This is true of diet systems
  2. This is true of gutter systems on a house
  3. The purpose is to show what the product will do
3. This is the picture that Paul by inspiration is showing to us.
  1. The before picture is seen verse 2
  2. The after picture begins in verse 4
4. The product that is being used is the Gospel 1:20; 1 Corinthians 15:1-3
5. Let us see the changing power of the Gospel

### II Discussion

1. The condition Ephesians 2:1-3, 11-12
  - i. Walked verse 2 behavior
  - ii. Conversation-conduct verse 3
  - iii. Dead verse 5
  - iv. Uncircumcised verse 11
  - v. Without Christ Verse 12
  - vi. Aliens verse 12
  - vii. Strangers Verse 12
  - viii. No Hope verse 12
  - ix. Without God verse 12
2. The consolation Ephesians 2:1, 4-6, 13, 16
  - i. Alive Verse 1
  - ii. Loved verse 4
  - iii. Alive verse 5
  - iv. Saved Verse 5
  - v. Raised Verse 6
  - vi. Sit together Verse 6
  - vii. Made nigh verse 13
  - viii. Reconciled Verse 16
  - ix. In one body Verse 16
3. The contact The blood
  - i. Ephesians 2:13
  - ii. Revelation 1:5;
  - iii. Romans 6:3-4;
  - iv. John 19:34;
  - v. Acts 22:16
  - vi. Made nigh verse 13
  - vii. Peace verse 14 Romans 5:1
  - viii. Reconciled Verse 16

### III Conclusion

1. This all so that we can have a heavenly habitation 1:3, 20; 2:6; 3:10
2. Do you have a place being prepared for you John 14:1-3
3. Start now by going for the after picture, you can do it
4. Come now

Source: Old sermon preached; Heavenly Habitation by Tom Holland; Matthew Henry