

Jesus Warns His Disciples about Facing Hostility

John 15:18-27

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- Believers don't belong to the world (John 15:19)

Colossians 1:13

- He has delivered us from the power of darkness and conveyed *us* into the kingdom of the Son of His love,

Acts 26:17-18

- 'I will deliver you from the *Jewish* people, as well as *from* the Gentiles, to whom I now send you, to open their eyes, *in order to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan to God*, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and an inheritance among those who are sanctified by faith in Me.'

Ephesians 2:1-3

- And you *He made alive*, who were dead in trespasses and sins, in which you once walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit who now works in the sons of disobedience, among whom also we all once conducted ourselves in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, just as the others.

Ephesians 2:4-6

- But God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), and raised us up together, and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus,

Ephesians 2:8

- For by grace you have been saved through faith, and **that not of yourselves; *it is the gift of God,***

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- Jesus was hated first (John 15:18)
- Believers don't belong to the world (John 15:19)
- Believers will partake of the rejection of Christ (John 15:20)
- People who are hostile to Jesus don't know God and bear the guilt of their rejection (John 15:21-25)
- Tell what you know about Christ nonetheless (John 15:26-27)

1 Peter 2:9

- But you *are* a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light;

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