

“Wine and Milk (5): The Pain of Circumcision”

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Any thoughtful journey through Romans must consider the theological symbolism of _____ .

The history—

▼ Genesis 17:1, 2, 7, 10-12

■ *Circumcision from the very beginning was intended by God to be a sign of covenant _____ in him.*

▼ Joshua 5:2, 3, 8.

■ This incident is compelling evidence that circumcision was always intended by God to symbolize an _____ experience rather than an _____ identity.

● Deuteronomy 10:16

● Deuteronomy 30:6

● Because circumcision was always intended to be a _____ more than a _____ experience.

▼ Jeremiah 9:25, 26 and Jeremiah 4:4

■ External compliance will never save you—the _____, the _____, the _____ !

Romans 2—

▼ Paul’s bull’s eye target of indictment:

■ The 3rd ring: 1:18—_____

■ The 2nd ring: 1:19-32—the _____

■ The 1st ring: 2:1-16—the _____

■ The bull’s eye: 2:17-3:8—the _____

▼ It is the bull’s eye of the _____ .

- ▼ The point? _____ face the same danger as did the Jews.
 - Like the Jews in Jeremiah’s day—clinging to notion that God would never reject them because they had “the temple, the temple” (7:4)—we cry out, “the _____, the _____, the _____.”
 - Amos 3:2.
 - Proving true the words of Richard John Neuhaus: “It is a fearful thing to be _____.”

- ▼ Is there then no advantage for the chosen?
 - Romans 3:1, 2
 - But remember, circumcision is _____ off!
 - Romans 10:6
 - Proverbs 23:26

The heart, the heart, the heart

circumcision, faith, internal, external, spiritual, physical, heart, heart, heart, all, pagan, moral, Jew, “saved”, Seventh-day, Adventists, truth, truth, truth, chosen, 18 inches