

Christian identity is for gender context of community. Christian identity follows in organic continuity with God's elect or chosen people in the OT.

III. THE CONSECRATED CONDUCT THAT IS REQUIRED **11, 12**

2:11-4:11 = living among, before the Gentiles, unbelievers. Vv. 11, 12 amplified in 4:1-5 and an expansion of 1:15, 16. Christian behavior in a hostile culture.

A. THE PERSPECTIVE WE MUST MAINTAIN **11**

1. Our Transient Status

believers experience and must expect a partial alienation in this age. We do not fully belong to this world; we are citizens of 2 kingdoms. We neither avoid nor are absorbed by this world; among but not of.

2. Our Tireless Struggle

intense warfare. 1 Pe 1:13-16; 4:1-5; Rom 13:14 Gal 5:16-24; etc.

B. THE PRACTICE WE MUST MODEL **12**

1. Our Effective Persuasion

our evident, convincing, compelling new way of life determined by our new identity in Christ, 1 Pe 3:1,2, 16. Recall 1 Pe 2:9, 10; 1:13-25.

2. Our Eschatological Priority

judgment for salvation of Gentiles? Probably the latter. Our holy way of life has a provocative purpose. Impacts ecclesiology. Role of elders.

011721, The Certainty of Our Dignity, 1 Peter 2,7-12