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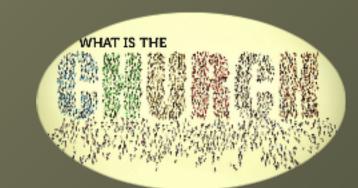
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Diaspora - God's Scattered People

James, a servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ, To the twelve tribes scattered among the nations: Greetings.

James 1:1



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Living As Exiles In Babylon

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Exile But Still Good Citizen Neighbors

Submit yourselves for the Lord's sake to every authority instituted among men: whether to the king, as the supreme authority, 14 or to governors, who are sent by him to punish those who do wrong and to commend those who do right. 15 For it is God's will that by doing good you should silence the ignorant talk of foolish men. 16 Live as free men, but do not use your freedom as a cover-up for evil; live as servants of God. 17 Show proper respect to everyone: Love the brotherhood of believers, fear God, honor the king.

1 Peter 2:13—17



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Also, seek the peace and prosperity of the city to which I have carried you into exile. Pray to the LORD for it, because if it prospers, you too will prosper.

Jeremiah 29:7



Out Ultimate Citizenship

But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ...

Philippians 3:20



Applying the Word

