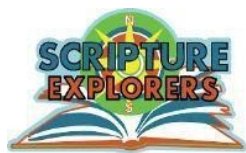


# Why was it against the law to make friends with a Gentile?



A Gentile was anyone who was not a Jew. It was not against the law to make friends with a Gentile. Instead, God wanted the Jewish people not to copy and be like Gentiles because they did not follow the Jewish Laws and did not worship the true God. Some Jews would not even walk through Gentile towns. Jews did accept some Gentiles into their religion. They were called "God-fearers." By breaking down this barrier, the message about Jesus could be taken to everybody, not just Jews. God wants us to accept all people and not think we are superior just because we know God.



Peter told them "You know it is against the Jewish laws for me to come into a Gentile home like this. But God has shown me that I should never think of anyone as impure." (Acts 10:28)

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