Why Was Jesus Circumcised

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Why Do You and I Need New, Circumcised Hearts?

Leviticus 12:1-3: The LORD said to Moses, **2** "Tell the Israelites: 'When a woman gives birth and has a boy, she is unclean for seven days,.... **3** But on the *eighth day* he should be <u>circumcised</u>.'"

Galatians 4:4-5a: But when the time finally came, God sent out His Son to be born of a woman and to be born <u>under law</u>, **5** in order to pay the price to free [redeem] those under law...

Luke 2:21: On the *eighth day* when the time had come to <u>circumcise</u> the Child, He was named JESUS, the Name the angel had given Him before He was conceived in the womb. [CIRCUMCISION = "Consecration to God"!]

Ezekiel 36:26 & 27: "I will give you a **new heart** and put a **new spirit** in you. I will take out of your flesh **the heart of stone** and give you **a heart of flesh**. **27** I will put My **Spirit** in you and move you to follow my orders and carefully keep my laws."

Jeremiah 4:4: "<u>Circumcise</u> yourselves to be the LORD's, and get rid of the lusts of your hearts, you men of Judah and people in Jerusalem, or My fury will blaze like a fire and burn so [hot] that nobody can put it out on account of the wrong you do."

Philippians 3:3: For we are really the <u>circumcised</u> people, we who worship God spiritually and boast of Christ Jesus...." [CIRCUMCISION of human hearts through faith in Christ = "Consecration to God"!]

BE CONSECRATED TO GOD, PRIMARILY TO OUR TRIUNE GOD, IN THE NEW YEAR WITH NEW HEARTS!!!