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Peter points out that even though Christ is a blessing to all nations, he was a blessing to the people of Israel first. The blessing here is described as turning them from their own wickedness.

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