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I just bought a house that is wired through a Fuse Box. The outlets in the entire house are the old-style 2 prong outlets. In order to run an appliance that requires a ground I have to get a 3 to 2 prong adapter and run the appliance unprotected.

My question is, should I upgrade the fuse box and replace it with a circuit breaker. If I did so, would I need to replace every wire in my entire house or could I just run a ground wire up to every outlet and install a 3 prong outlet?

Also, I worked for an electrician during a summer so I have a general understanding of wiring. Could I do this job myself?

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