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Ephesians 2:11–22

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Suggested Questions for Individual Study or Group Discussion*



- What are some things that cause division within the Church today? Which concerns you most?
- Read Ephesians 2:11–22. Given Paul’s language here, how would you describe the relationship between the Gentile and Jewish Christians in the Ephesian Church?
- What different images does Paul use? How does Jesus relate to each? Which is most thought-provoking to you and why?
- What were the Gentile Christians formerly like? What five descriptions does Paul provide (v. 12)?
- What is the Gentile Christians’ life like now that they are in Christ? What five acts of grace has Christ done on their behalf (v. 13-16)?
- What are the results of the work Christ has done (v. 17–22)? What does it mean for Christ to be our peace?
- How are our reconciliation to God and reconciliation with others inextricably tied together?
- Although Christ has removed barriers, laws, and regulations, what written or unwritten rules do we enforce today which keep people from separated from God and one another? How might we respond in a more Christlike way?
- What “dividing wall” in either the church or our community would you most like to see come down? Where might God through Christ already be at work on this? What can you do to be a part of that work? How can your small group or others support and pray for you as you do this?

*Select or adapt questions to fit the needs and makeup of your group.