

## Membership

Ephesians 2:14–22

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## NOTES

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Suggested Questions for Individual Study or Group Discussion\*



- What organizations, clubs, or associations are you a member of? How does membership in these groups differ from membership in the church?
- *Read Ephesians 2:11–22.* As Paul describes it, what problem did humanity face before Jesus came, particularly those who are Gentiles? What has God done through Christ in response?
- What different images and metaphors does Paul employ to describe God’s people, the Church? How does Jesus relate to each one?
- Of these images, which is most helpful and thought-provoking to you and why? How does each image inform your understanding of what it means to be a member of the Church?
- Where do you see the Church as a whole, and our congregation in particular, embodying and living out these ideals? Where do you see us falling short?
- If you are not a member of a church, what has kept you from making that covenant commitment? If you are a church member, how would you evaluate your commitment to the privileges and responsibilities of membership?
- What is a way in which your participation in the worship and service of Calvin Church may be increased and made more meaningful? How can your small group or others support you in this?
- What questions do you still have about church membership?

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