

Homegroup Questions – Ephesians 2:11-22

Icebreaker

Did you have any family traditions growing up?

Today we're going to be thinking about the aspect of the gospel which means that we are one new family.

Pray

Study

Read Ephesians 2:11-22

- Look at verse 12. Paul invites the Ephesians to remember the time they were separate from Christ. How does Paul describe that separateness? (excluded from God's covenant, without hope, without God)
- How would you describe what your life was like before you became a Christian?
- Look at verse 14. In this verse, how does it say God has brought peace? (made Jews and Gentiles one, destroyed barrier and the dividing wall of hostility)
- Look at verse 16. How did God do that? (the cross)
- Look at verse 17. Who has he preached peace to? (those who are far and near)
- Do you think it's always easy to accept that through Christ, God's peace is for all? Do you think this would have been an easy message for the Messianic Jews to hear at the time? Why/why not?
- How can this passage help us to welcome people into the church? (Jesus went to the cross for all people, for all sin, both for the Jew and Gentile. It was God's decision to include us)
- How do you think we should treat others in the church based on this passage? (with equality, acceptance, the same love God showed us)
- Would anyone like to share why the church family is important to them?

Spend some time praying for each other to be strengthened in their faith, raising any concerns for prayer.