

Bridge Church Home Groups Questions Series: Together Message: Together in Inclusion Pastor Ryan Pedde

Read Deuteronomy 10:14-22 and then use the following questions to kick-start your discussion:

- 1. Was there ever a time in your life where you were on the outside looking in? What does it feel like to be on the edge of community? Have you ever felt prejudged or written off before people got to know you? What did that look like and feel like for you?
- 2. In these verses God is described in terms of His cosmic hospitality. He shows no favoritism, cannot be bribed, and loves the foreigner. In the Mosaic Law, the foreigner was supposed to be treated with love and respect! God's people are commanded to live this out. In verse 16 Moses tells the people to "circumcise" their hearts. In other words, they were supposed to not just look the part, but inwardly affirm it.
 - a. What are some of the ways we can appear to be outwardly inclusive as but not truly mean it? As individuals? Families? A church?
- 3. What are the biggest barriers to including others in community? What are the challenges & opportunities that may arise when you intentionally include people who are different than you? How might Scripture speak to our fears?
- 4. Moses tells the people to "remember" how they were once foreigners in Egypt. Why do you think He does this?