

# THE BOOK OF EPHESIANS

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## Introduction:

**Ephesians 2:11-19** – “Wherefore remember, that ye being in time past Gentiles in the flesh, who are called Uncircumcision by that which is called the Circumcision in the flesh made by hands; 12 That at that time ye were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope, and without God in the world: 13 But now in Christ Jesus ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood -- of Christ. 14 For he is our peace, who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us; 15 Having abolished in his flesh the enmity, even the law of commandments contained in ordinances; for to make in himself of twain one new man, so making peace; 16 And that he might reconcile both unto God in one body by the cross, having slain the enmity thereby: 17 And came and preached peace to you which were afar off, and to them that were nigh. 18 For through him we both have access by one Spirit unto the Father. 19 Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellowcitizens with the saints, and of the household of God;”

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III. \_\_\_\_\_:

**Ephesians 2:19** – “Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellowcitizens with the saints, and of the household of God;”

**Ephesians 2:20-22** – “And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone; 21 In whom all the building fitly framed together groweth unto an holy temple in the Lord: In whom ye also are builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit.”

## Conclusion and Notes:

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**Take-home questions for Small Group and Family Devotions.**

1. *Why was the division between Jew and Gentile such a big deal in the early church, and how does the gospel speak into that division?*
2. *How does remembering your spiritual past impact the way you worship today?*
3. *How did Jesus tear down the "middle wall of partition" spiritually?*
4. *When you reflect on the unity Jesus brings, what specific reasons do you have to rejoice?*
5. *Paul uses words like "fellowcitizens" and "household of God"—how does that shape your understanding of your identity in Christ?*

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