

## **Digging Deeper: Ephesians 2:11–18**

### **Day 1**

Read Ephesians 2:11–18 today. This week we will be studying and meditating on these verses that are often overlooked given the magnitude of the prior verses on God's grace. Take the verses as a whole. Make three observations of these verses. Many title these verses "One in Christ." Why? Pray today about unity in the body of Christ.

### **Day 2**

Read Ephesians 2:11–12. Our focus today is our lives before Christ regenerated our hearts. How does Paul describe this? What is meant by the "uncircumcision?" How does this relate to the first few verses of chapter 2 and being dead?

### **Day 3**

Read Ephesians 2:13. This verse gives a summary of our new life given to us by our Lord. Read Colossians 1:20. Today, think about your life before Christ. Now consider our Lord saving you and now being drawn near to Christ. May we humble ourselves indeed!

### **Day 4**

Read Ephesians 2:14. This may be the core verse of the week so let's camp here. Read the parallel verse in Galatians 3:28. The wall of separation has been torn down! Give some study to the differences between Jew and Gentiles that existed for thousands of years. Give some consideration of the work of God bringing these two groups saved by Christ together to worship the King. Can we pray today that whatever separates believers in Christ are torn down so they know they are one?

### **Day 5**

Read Ephesians 2:15. Today, we learn that He is our peace. How is Christ our peace between ourselves and God? How is Christ our peace between us and other believers? Do you have this peace? Read Colossians 2:14. Pray today that anything that stands between you and God or other believers is nailed to the cross?

### **Day 6**

Read Ephesians 2:16–18. Today, we finish our verses this week. These verses lead us to see the power of God in reconciliation—both to God and others. What is the role of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit in this truth? Read John 4:23, 10:7, 10:9 and Romans 5:2. Today let us rejoice in the sovereign work of our God! Review this week and prepare for Lord's Day on Sunday.