

EPHESIANS

PART OF SOMETHING BIG

Ephesians 2:19-22

For the week of November 12, 2023

Reading the Text:

1. What was the big idea of Ephesians 2:11-18 from last week?
2. Paul has explained numerous times what our previous state apart from God was, including the first half of v. 19 in our passage this week. Why do you think he reiterates the fact that we were far from God so many times in the second chapter of Ephesians? What do you think he intends his audience to feel?
3. What does it mean that we are now *“fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God”* in v. 19? What does this tell us about our new identity in Christ? What kinds of benefits come with being a citizen and family member?
4. Paul uses the term *“together”* twice in this text (vv. 21-22). What is coming *“together”*, and why is it significant to Paul? Where did God previously dwell? Where does Paul explain He dwells now?
5. How would you restate the big idea of the Ephesians 2:19-22 in your own words?

Living It Out:

1. This passage tells us *who* we are, and *what* we are (a member of God’s family, and God’s dwelling place). How do these two truths influence our identity in God?
2. Describe some qualities of a community that has been transformed by this new identity. What is our individual role in this kind of community?
3. In what ways can our Life Group be an encouragement as we strive for unity (*“togetherness”*) in this community?