



Sermon Questions: Uniting Grace
Date: May 16, 2021 | Scripture: Ephesians 2:11-22

1. Read Ephesians 2:11-22. What in this passage is a hard truth? What is beautiful?
2. Paul calls us to remember that we were once far off from God. Think of your own story of faith. How have you experienced that distance?
3. Read verse 13. Draw out each truth this verse tells us. Which is most striking to you?
4. Verse 13 describes an objective reality – that we have been brought near to God by the blood of Christ. Our subjective experience of this reality fluctuates over time. When do you tend to feel the truth of this reality most clearly? When is it hardest to recognize?
5. Look again at verses 19-22. Paul uses three illustrations to demonstrate our unity – country, family, and building. Which do you find most helpful? What is particularly helpful about it?
6. We are all one in Christ. Our unity is an objective reality, even though it can feel otherwise. What implications does our unity in Christ have for life in the church? Think about this in terms of your CG, your family, your friendships, etc.

Inward Grace in Action

The questions below are a little more intimate and are meant to be discussed with a trusted friend or partner.

1. In what part of your life are you most likely to discount the unity that is found in Christ? In other words, where are you most tempted to prioritize division over unity? Politics? Senior pastor preferences? Pandemic practices? Something else?

***WORSHIP THROUGHOUT
THE WEEK***

Here are some other ways you can meet with God throughout the week:

Reflect on these Scriptures:

- [Ephesians 2](#)
- [Romans 3](#)
- [1 Peter 2:1-12](#)
- [Acts 2:42-47](#)
- [Psalms 118](#)
- [2 Corinthians 6:14-7:1](#)

Listen to the Ephesians worship playlist on Spotify.

Reach out if you need assistance during this time:

- Call our church office at 703.821.0800
- Request aid from our Deacons' Fund at deaconsfund@mcleanpres.org

You can also find additional resources on our website: **capitalpres.org**.