
Study Questions for the August 22, 2021 Sermon:
“Who’s Who?”
Ephesians 2:11-23

1. Pastor Paul opened the sermon stating that we are most likely to remember significant events: graduations, weddings, births, etc. Share one significant spiritual event, such as when Jesus saved you, when you were baptized, or when you saw a loved-one come to Jesus.
2. “Uncircumcision” in verse 11, was a derogatory term used to identify people as outside of the favor of God. As you have matured as a Christian, is there any group (ethnic, elderly, gender, economic, incarcerated) that you have grown to embrace as equals?
3. The gospel message has great appeal to people after they feel convicted. Once they see themselves as “having no hope and without God” they are prime candidates for conversion. However, most unbelievers do not view themselves that way. What kind of discussions can we have with unbelievers to help them see they are estranged from God?
4. Verse 21 describes something glorious: “...in whom the whole building, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord.” Instead of chastising ourselves for falling short of this vision, share some ways that members of our congregation do work as the body of Christ to further His kingdom.
5. Verse 12 refers to those “Without God in the world”: *Some people believe in God, but they believe He lives in heaven and has nothing to do with this world.* (From the David Guzik commentary.) This belief, that the world was created, but God then withdrew Himself, is common. What scriptures would you show to someone who had this belief?
6. *The source of contention between Jew and Gentile was the fact that the Gentiles did not keep the law.* (From the David Guzik commentary.) Read verses 14 – 16. Then state in your own words how Jesus eliminated that source of contention.