

Our Worship - God's Home
Ephesians 2.11-22

Introduction:

I. We were f_____ o_____

A. Gentiles were o_____ the program of God

B. Gentiles and Jews were s_____

II. We were b_____ n_____

A. He is our p_____

B. He a_____ the law

C. He created o_____ new person

III. We are God's H_____

A. The f_____ of God

B. The b_____ of God

Conclusion:

Questions for reflection or small group discussion

- Recall a time when you felt separated from those you loved by a great distance. What was it like to be separated?
- Maybe your separation was not by distance but by conviction or worship style? How was that different or similar?
- Why did God choose the Jewish people rather than others?
- What was the purpose of God choosing the Jewish people?
- What does being "far off" look like?
- What caused the divide between Jews and Gentiles?
- What similar ethnic divisions have you witnessed?
- How does God make peace between Jews and Gentiles?
- Do you see a parallel with other ethnic or racial divisions?
- What does Paul mean when he says Christ abolished the law?
- What purpose does the law serve us today?
- How might we say that Christ created a "third race"?
- How are we the family of God?
- How can you be "family" with Christians of a different race?
- How are like a building (the temple)?
- How does this image impact your convictions and faith-walk?
- With whom do you need to make peace?
- How might you remove the "wall of separation" between you and a person of a different race, ethnicity, or Christian sector?

