



SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDY

Message: A New Humanity in Christ
Ephesians 2:11-18 | Jan 12, 2025



STUDY QUESTIONS

1. In Ephesians 2:11, why does Paul want the Ephesians to remember how, at one time, they were called “*the uncircumcision*” by the chosen people of God?

What is the significance of the phrase “*the circumcision, which is made in the flesh by hand.*”

2. What is it that the Ephesians didn't have before they became Christians? Read verse 12 slowly and list all possible answers.

What it means to be “*alienated from the commonwealth of Israel?*”

3. What did the blood of Christ do for the Ephesians in verse 5?

4. What should be the result of the peace in Ephesians 2:14-18?

DEEPER STUDY QUESTIONS

1. If Christ Himself is our peace (v14), and we have Christ in us, then all believers should live in a permanent state of peace. How does that apply to your life? Do you live in a state of peace— peace within and peace among others around you?

2. If Christ came and preached peace (v17), then as His followers how do you preach and practice peace?

USE THE REVERSE SIDE FOR INDUCTIVE BIBLE STUDY - OBSERVATIONS, INTERPRETATION, APPLICATION (biblegateway.com)
Make observations of a passage and draw conclusions from those observations.

- **Who** - who is speaking; who is the intended audience; who is present in the moment, etc.
- **What** - what is the passage about; what problem is addressed; what happens; what is being said; what commands need to be obeyed, etc.
- **When** - when is this event taking place?
- **Where** - where is this event taking place, where does it fit in the larger context of the book and Scripture?
- **Why** - why is this message needed, why is it relevant today?
- **How** - how does this change what I know about God and humanity; how do I apply this to my life so that I can follow Jesus more faithfully?