

# A New Kind of Humanity

Ephesians 2:11-18

## 1. Who you were: \_\_\_\_\_ from one another.

*Ephesians 2:11-18 Therefore, remember that formerly you who are Gentiles by birth and called "uncircumcised" by those who call themselves "the circumcision" (that done in the body by the hands of men)—*

- **Alienated** \_\_\_\_\_.
- **Alienated from the privileges that belong to** \_\_\_\_\_.

*12 remember that at that time you were separate from Christ, without hope and without God in the world.*

## 2. Who you are: \_\_\_\_\_ to others in Christ.

*13 But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far away have been brought near through the blood of Christ. 14 For he himself is our peace, who has made the two one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility, 15 by abolishing in his flesh the law with its commandments and regulations.*

- *John 14:6* Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.
- *Acts 10:28* He said to them: "You are well aware that it is against our law for a Jew to associate with a Gentile or visit him. But God has shown me that I should not call any man impure or unclean.
- *Revelation 7:9-10* After this I looked and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and in front of the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. **10** And they cried out in a loud voice: "Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb."

## 3. A new \_\_\_\_\_.

*His purpose was to create in himself one new man out of the two, thus making peace, 16 and in this one body to reconcile both of them to God through the cross, by which he put to death their hostility.*

- *Romans 10:12-13* For there is no difference between Jew and Gentile—the same Lord is Lord of all and richly blesses all who call on him, for, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

### How the gospel creates the New Humanity:

- **First, the gospel reorganizes** \_\_\_\_\_.
  - See 2 Corinthians 5:21, Galatians 2:20
- **Second, the gospel** \_\_\_\_\_.
  - See Ephesians 2:9

*17 He came and preached peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near. 18 For through him we both have access to the Father by one Spirit.*

### Next Steps for Growth:

I want to begin to follow Jesus today.

I would like host a rent-a-teen project.

I want to be baptized.

I want to be contacted by a pastor.

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  Change my contact info

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

I am a:  1<sup>st</sup> time guest  2<sup>nd</sup> time guest  Regular Attendee  Member (taken membership class & committed to membership covenant)