RECONCILED TO GOD
RECONCILED TO EACH OTHER
EPHESIANS 2:11-22
Big Idea: We can’t be ambassadors of reconciliation without living as reconciled to each other.
OUR RECONCILIATION TO GOD AND OUR RECONCILIATION TO EACH OTHER.
Ephesians 1:9-10. Making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose which he set forth in Christ as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.
11. Therefore remember that at one time you Gentiles in the flesh, called “the uncircumcision” by what is called the circumcision, which is made in the flesh by hands—
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DIVISION.
12 Remember that you were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world.

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No covenant.
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No hope.
13 But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ.

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NEW IDENTITY- IN CHRIST.
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NEW STATUS.
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Blood (Substitutionary Atonement).
EPHESIANS 1:7. IN HIM WE HAVE REDEMPTION THROUGH HIS BLOOD, THE FORGIVENESS OF OUR TRESPASSES, ACCORDING TO THE RICHES OF HIS GRACE,
Colossians 1:19-20 For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, \(^20\) and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.
Colossians 1:21-22 And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him,
13But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ.
14 For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility. HE IS PEACE.
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Union.
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2 Corinthians 5:17. Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.
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he makes peace.
16 And might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility.

Reconciled.
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CROSS - THE GOSPEL.
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The Death of Division.
17 And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near.
18 For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father.

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TRINITY.
19 So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, family.
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“CULTURAL DIVERSITY IN A CHURCH IS AN EXALTATION OF CHRIST.”
20 built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone,
21 IN WHOM THE WHOLE STRUCTURE, BEING JOINED TOGETHER, GROWS INTO A HOLY TEMPLE IN THE LORD.

HOLY.
22 IN HIM YOU ALSO ARE BEING BUILT TOGETHER INTO A DWELLING PLACE FOR GOD BY THE SPIRIT.

THE CHURCH.
CHURCH ISSUES.
HOW CAN WE BUILD UNITY?

HOW ARE WE INADVERTENTLY CAUSING DIVISION?
HOW CAN WE CELEBRATE DIVERSITY WITHIN OUR UNITY?
DO WE MODEL UNITY AND RECONCILIATION FOR THE WORLD AROUND US?
PERSONAL ISSUES.
DO YOU SEE YOUR SALVATION AS A SALVATION UNTO UNITY, COMMUNITY, AND RECONCILIATION?
WHAT IS YOUR IDENTITY?

WHAT “LAW” DO YOU USE TO JUSTIFY YOUR DIVISIVENESS?
ARE YOU A WALL BUILDER OR WALL DESTROYER?

HOW CAN YOU SEEK RECONCILIATION WITH OTHERS?
HAVE YOU PERSONALLY BEEN RECONCILED TO GOD?