

LG | Guide

[Ephesians 2:19-22]

WARM-UP (10 mins)

It is likely that everyone present had a very busy day, maybe even a trying day. Let's take a moment to still our minds and go to the Lord in prayer.

- In your personal devotion with the Lord, what has the Lord revealed to you through His word? If not, what is keeping you from the Lord?
- When you reflect back on Sunday's sermon, what impacted you the most? Anything that stirred your affection towards the Lord?

ILLUMINATE (40 mins)

Open your Bibles to the primary text.

1. Read our primary text. In general, what does it mean to be a citizen of a country? If you enter a country that you are not a citizen of, how might you feel? What do you need to have prepared as you travel? [Maybe some have traveled for missions and experienced this]
2. Paul is referring to a different kind of citizenship. What is he describing here? Who are refugees in this newly described kingdom?
3. Verse 18 says that we have access to God in One Spirit? How do we have access to God? More specifically, by what merit do we enter the presence of the Lord?
4. If we were to build the temple of God using the identifiers given in the Bible, how would we build it? What elements make up this newly revealed temple of God? How did this temple compare to the Pagan temples that the Ephesians were used to (Temple of Artemis)?
5. Previously the Gentiles were not even allowed to approach the temple of the Jews, but now Paul is telling them that they ARE the temple. How do you think this made the Gentiles feel?
6. How are we (Gentiles) a dwelling place for the Lord?
7. Given what we have learned in this passage, should Christians be apathetic towards church/membership? Is it biblical to neglect the church/membership?

PRAY (10 mins)

Use this time to pray specifically. Pray for the needs of others; locally and abroad.