Ephesians 2 (Part 2)

Ephesians 2:1-10

- -we were dead but now we are alive
- -we had no relationship with God, no purpose and no hope
- -our individual life is not stagnant and meaningless but has eternal purpose in Jesus

The benefits of Jesus death and our faith aren't just individual but we get to be a part of something bigger

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What's a Gentile?

- -a non Jewish
- -We Gentiles were at one time separated from God, from God's people and from God's promises
- -before, Jesus some people had the opportunity to know God but many didn't

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- -after Jesus, the opportunity to come to God is faith is open to everyone
- -you see this develop in Acts, opportunity starts with the Jews but then goes to everyone
- *be thankful that you a Gentile have the opportunity to know God
- *we shouldn't exclude any one from the opportunity to hear about Jesus
- *there is opportunity for all to come to Jesus
- *For all who come to Jesus there is unity

ver 14-16

For those that take advantage of the opportunity we all now have unity

- -all believers with all their various backgrounds are connected in this thing called the church
- *if someone has put their faith in Jesus we need to seek to make them a part of the group
- *We offer opportunity to all those outside who don't know Jesus and seek unity with all those who do know Jesus

Small Group Questions

- 1) Are there any negative attitudes that you have toward another group of people?
- 2) What can you be doing to make people feel welcome and united at Veracity?

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