

Daily Readings

Monday	Read Ephesians 2:11-22. What one or two main things stand out to you as significant in this passage?
Tuesday	Read Ephesians 2:11. Jews and Gentiles in the 1st century were separated and labeled by names like these. Have you ever felt excluded by being labeled or named something?
Wednesday	Read Ephesians 2:12-13. These verses are about Gentile Christians, who did not know the living God but came to faith through hearing the good news of Jesus. Have you ever felt “far away” from God? What does it mean to you to be “brought near by the blood Christ?”
Thursday	Read Ephesians 2:14-18. How do these verses say that Christ made peace between people who used to be at odds? How can you imagine that working for people today?
Friday	Read Ephesians 2:19-22. Christians don't just have unity with each, but that unity comes from the indwelling of God's Spirit. Together we become “a holy temple in the Lord,” and “a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit.” How do you think it is different to be filled with the Spirit as an individual and to be filled with the Spirit as a community?
Saturday	Read John 17:20-23. Jesus prayed for his disciples (including us) that we would “be one” (v. 21) and that we would “be brought to complete unity” (v. 23). How much would you say that this prayer is being answered? Why?

