

## Fellow Citizens > Ephesians 2:11-22

**2:11-12** *What we were.* Prior to Jesus, Gentiles (i.e. non-Jews) were ridiculed and thought to have no hope for salvation. But that wasn't God's plan! Instead, His work was to bless all people *through* the Jews: most directly, through Jesus Christ!

**2:13-18** *What we are.* Because of Christ's work, not only can we have salvation because of a right relationship with God, but we also can enjoy the unity that the gospel produces: no longer would the world be divided between Jews and Gentiles. Each is succeeded by one new people of God, unified in their worship of Him.

**2:19-22** *What we are becoming.* This radical change means that Christ's church is a part of what He has planned since before there was time: God's truth, Old and New Testament, has Jesus Christ as its cornerstone, and the people that result are Christ's church, indwelt by God Himself.

**The Point:** The gospel changes everything both individually and corporately so that Jesus Christ would be glorified in us.

**Prayer:** Lord, so often our picture of Your work is too small. Too individual. Or too abstract. Thank you for changing us and calling us to be Christ's church. Work in us that our unity and love would reflect our Savior to a world who needs the hope that only He can provide – and *does* provide!

**Application:** Spend time marveling at – and worshipping the Lord for – a gospel that is even bigger than we think! Good news for all the world that changes everyone and everything!

**Here is how I will apply these truths:** \_\_\_\_\_

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