

**Jesus Broke Down our Walls to Build His Father's House**  
**Ephesians 2:11-22**  
**Sermon Discussion Questions**  
**October 6, 2019**

1. As a group, take some time to read Ephesians 2:11-22. Discuss together what things tend to divide us as believers in Christ. How does this passage address differences in the community of believers?
2. Have you seen someone different from you (race, gender, social class, nationality, etc.) and thought they might be beyond the reach of the gospel? What would it look like to tear down these walls in your life?
3. Pastor Jonathan Swift mentioned that “to one degree or another, we all have a tendency to build up walls for people to climb over for us to consider them to be insiders like us.” Put yourself in the shoes of an “outsider” (someone different than you – race, gender, social class, nationality and etc.). Think about how you might feel walking in Calvary Church. Can you think of any walls/challenges you might face?
4. Reread Ephesians 2:11-13. Take some time to reflect on your “But now in Jesus Christ” experience. Share with your group as you feel prompted. Can you think of anyone in your life that is far from Christ that might benefit from hearing your testimony of being brought near by the blood of Christ?
5. It is important to remember Pastor Jonathan Swift’s quote that “to ignore God’s heart for the nations/outside, or to treat the church like an exclusive club for one kind of people or another is to be working against the very mission and movement of God.” In what ways might you currently be working against God’s mission? How can we make sure we are only working for God’s mission in this place?
6. Spend time praying for all who will enter through doors of the Church (all churches) this week.