

# The Spiritual Unity of the Church – Ephesians 2:11-22

The Blood of Christ makes us ONE (Ephesians 2:11-16).

The Holy Spirit makes us ONE (Ephesians 2:17-18).

The Scripture makes us ONE (Ephesians 2:19-20a).

The Lord Jesus makes us ONE (Ephesians 2:20b-22).

## **Questions for Discussion & Application:**

1. What was surprising, challenging, or helpful from this study of God's Word?
2. What makes us one as a church? What is the source and foundation of our unity?
3. In Ephesians 2, what two groups of people overcame long time division and hostility because of the unity they experienced in Christ?
4. Do we see any modern-day examples of Christ bringing enemies together?
5. If we are spiritually one in Christ, then why is it sometimes difficult to maintain actual unity within the church?

6. What are some of the typical enemies to church unity? (gossip, bitterness, selfishness, etc.)
7. What is the biggest enemy to church unity in your own heart and life?
8. Why is our spiritual unity in Christ so much more important than the unimportant differences that could divide us?
9. What examples have you seen in our own church family where differences that could have resulted in unnecessary division were overcome because of our greater unity in Christ?
10. What are some things that we do as a church that consistently remind us of our spiritual unity? What additional things can you do (or not do) that will further remind you of the spiritual unity that you have with others in the church?

**Additional Questions for Personal Reflection:**

1. Is there someone in our church family that you need to move towards in friendship and unity?
2. What step will you take in order to move towards this person?
3. Why might reflecting upon the actual spiritual unity that you share with this person help you to take this step?