

Fully Alive

WEEK 7: BUILT INTO ONE

Ephesians 2:19-22 • STRENGTHENED BY GOD, Part 3

CORE PHRASE: We aren't just welcomed into God's house; in Christ, we are being built together into it.

OPEN IT – Connect with Each Other

1. As you look back over this Growth Group season, what is one moment, conversation, prayer, or relationship you are grateful for?

EXPLORE IT – Explore God's Word Together

Read Ephesians 2:19-22 aloud. Listen for the pictures Paul uses to describe who we are together in Christ.

2. Paul moves from strangers to fellow citizens to members of God's household. What do those pictures tell you about what it means to belong to Jesus?

3. What does it mean for Jesus to be the cornerstone? What changes when we try to align ourselves to Him rather than expecting everyone else to align with us?

4. Verses 21-22 say we are 'joined together' and 'built together' into a dwelling for God. What can we experience together that we cannot experience alone?

KNOW IT - Bring the Truth into Your Life

5. Where do you sense Jesus still inviting you to move from attending near His people to truly belonging, being known, serving, forgiving, or making room for someone else?

6. As Growth Groups pause for Advent, how can we stay relationally connected? Who could you begin praying for and invite when Growth Groups launch again in the new year?

PRACTICE IT - Belong • Align • Build

BELONG - receive your place in God's family. **ALIGN** - let Jesus be the cornerstone. **BUILD** - make room for someone else.

PRAY IT - Depend on God Together

Thank God for what He has built among you this season. Pray for one another through Advent, for the person each of you hopes to invite in the new year, and for Jesus to keep forming you into a people through whom others can encounter Him.

Prayer: *Jesus, thank You for taking strangers and making us family. Keep us aligned to You, connected to one another, and open to the next person You are bringing near. Build us together into a people where Your presence can be seen. Amen.*