

The Unity of Diversity

United Series

Discussion Questions

- **What do you think of when you hear the word diversity?**
 - What are the good things about this idea?
 - What are possible bad things about this idea?
 - What are the challenges with diversity?

- **Read 1 Cor. 1:10, 2 Cor. 13:11, 1 Pt. 3:8.**
 - What stands out to you about these passages?
 - Why was unity important to the life the church?
 - How did diversity bring a challenge to the idea of unity in the church?

- **Read Eph. 2:11-22**
 - Historically, how did Jews and Gentiles interact? Why?
 - What does Paul tell the Gentile Christians in vv. 11-12? Why was this important to let them know?
 - What is the shift Paul highlights in vv. 13-16? How has the gospel changed things between the two groups?
 - Read vv. 17-22 again. How does Paul let these Gentile Christians know they are a part of the family of God?
 - How are the analogies of nation, temple, and family powerful for communicating our gospel identity as a diverse people united in Jesus?
 - How does this interact with our Gospel Growth Grid as it concerns our identity in Jesus? Why is this important?

- **What are the challenges to being united in our diversity as a church?**
 - How is being disunified actually a forgetting of the gospel? What about the gospel should call us to unity amidst our diversity?
 - How is our unity in diversity a powerful testimony to the unbelieving world around us?
 - How can small group reinforce the truth of being unified in diversity as followers of Jesus?