

All In All In – The Christ Ephesians 2 (page 976/large print 1159 or 1242) Pastor Matt Kottman September 22, 2024

1. The Church Is Made Up of Those Made Alive by Christ (Eph. 2:1-10)

2. Christ Saves a People for Himself, Indwelt by His Spirit (Eph. 2:11-22)

3. The Church Isn't Somewhere YOU Go, It Is Something WE Are (Eph. 2:20-22)

Questions for Reflection and Application

- 1. What does it mean to be "dead in your transgressions and sins" (v. 1)? How does this description shape your understanding of the human condition before salvation?
- 2. In verse 5, Paul says that God has made us alive together with Christ. How is the word "together" significant as it relates to "us" and how it relates to "Christ"? In other words, why is the word "together" significant when we think of the church?
- 3. Paul talks about the creation of "one new humanity" in Christ (v. 15). How does this vision of unity challenge the way you view diversity in the church?
- 4. We are reconciled together to God in one body (v. 16). How does this speak to our call to be reconciled with one another?
- 5. What is the significance of Paul's metaphors to describe the church: fellow citizens, household members (v. 19), stones in a building (vv. 20-22)?
- 6. What draws together the individual parts of those metaphors together? How is this different from how those in the world are drawn together?
- 7. How has your view of the work of Christ in the church been challenged or strengthened by Ephesians 2? What questions are still lingering in your mind?