

## **Life Group Discussion Questions**

**Sermon Series:** peaceFULL – Overcoming Relational Conflict

**Sermon Title:** Part 4 – Go and Be Reconciled

**Sermon Date:** 5-19-19

**Gospel Gain:** Our common ground in Christ provides the foundation for relational reconciliation.

### **Gathering Together** (Icebreaker)

What areas of common ground might people in the church have with one another?

How does a church build on that common ground more than focus on differences?

### **Growing Together** (Truth/Equipping)

In this study we will see how God wants us to become peacemakers in our relationships. In today's study, we will look at a wonderful passage of scripture that challenges us to build on our common ground in Christ, become a loving community and pursue peacemaking opportunities.

#### **Read:** *Ephesians 2:11-12*

What are the descriptive words mentioned in this passage for people who live without Christ?

What is the general tone of these descriptions?

Why do you think sin causes so much relational separation?

Why would it be important for a Christian to remember what their life was like before Christ?

Why is it vital for the local church to keep sharing the gospel with people who are living without Christ in their life?

#### **Read:** *Ephesians 2:13-18*

How is hope described in this passage for those who are far from Christ?

What does this passage tell us about Jesus and His sacrifice?

What do you think it means to have Christ bring us near through His blood?

How does Ephesians 2:8-9 create hope for people?

What do you think it means when the passage says that Christ has destroyed the dividing wall of hostility and how does that create hope?

What is significant about the statement that Christ allows access to the Father by one Spirit?

**Read:** *Ephesians 2:19-22*

If you were once alienated or a stranger to God, how would it feel to hear that because of Christ you are now a fellow citizen and member of the household of God?

What do you think this looks like in our context today?

Why is it important to know that our faith foundation is built upon the apostles and prophets that have gone before us?

Describe the significance of having Jesus as the cornerstone?

God chooses to dwell in His people and minister through them. Why is this so humbling and accountable at the same time?

How can we individually help build a loving community within the local church?

**Getting Real with One Another** (Accessibility)

What is one application point from this lesson that you will pray about implementing into your walk with Christ?

How can this group specifically pray for you in that point of application?

**Group Prayer Time** (Supplication)

Share some prayer requests and then pray for one another.

Pray that Oakwood Church would continue to develop a passion for God and compassion for people.