Announcements

- ✓ Help Needed for Thanksgiving Great way to Serve!! Talk to a CLG staff member! (Nov. 15)
- ✓ Invite Your Friends! CLG Thanksgiving (Nov. 15)
- ✓ Flag Football @2pm (Nov 11)
- ✓ Not too late for a Comm. Group!
- ✓ Back Table Resources

Message Outline

Resolving Racial Tensions, Part I

Ephesians 2:11-22

- I. Get Over _____ and Be Humble (2:11-12)
- II. Embrace the Beauty of the _____

(2:13-22)

- a. Broke Down the Barrier (v.14)
- b. Abolished the Enmity (v.15a)
- c. Established Peace (v.15b)
- d. Formed One Body (v.16)
- e. Gave Equal Access to God (vv.17-18)
- f. Made Fellow Citizens (v.19)
- g. Building Them into God's House (vv.20-22)

<u>Notes</u>

Breakout Discussion Question(s)

How does the power of the gospel overcome racial tension?

<u>Community Group Discussion Questions</u>: Answer the following questions **before** Community Group:

- 1. Where do you see preferential treatment and biases occurring today? How can the power of the gospel in the church testify of a different reality?
- 2. Why is it important to remember our humble state (or get over our entitlement)? How does that help us to function better together as the body of Christ? (2:11-12)
- 3. Why is it important to understand the nature of the church and what God has done to form it? How does that help us to function better together as the body of Christ? (2:13)
- 4. Work back through the text of Ephesians 2:14-22. Consider the application of these seven points among your community group, CrossLife, and your local church. How should they influence how we live as Christians in a local church setting?
- 5. What do you need to do better more accurately represent the fullness of God in the church? Do you need to confess any subtle biases or preferences towards other ethnicities, social backgrounds, or economic backgrounds? Close in prayer, asking for God to be known through us.

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To glorify Christ by being and making disciples