

# Ephesians 2:19-22

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*19 So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints, and are of God's household, 20 having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus Himself being the corner stone, 21 in whom the whole building, being fitted together, is growing into a holy temple in the Lord, 22 in whom you also are being built together into a dwelling of God in the Spirit.*

## **Paul explains our corporate identity as the church**

### **From strangers to Citizens (vs. 19)**

1. What are some differences between a stranger and a citizen that impact our position in Christ?
2. The image of a household speaks of the fact that the church is a family. In what ways have you experienced this?
3. How does each of these images (a kingdom and a family) influence the unity that Paul has been talking about here in chapter 2?

### **From without God to the dwelling of God (vs. 20-22)**

1. How do we express our reliance upon the foundation and the cornerstone when we gather as Christians?
2. Paul speaks here of the building being built and growing. What can we learn about the church from these two words?
3. Vs. 22 shows God's purpose for the church to be his dwelling place. How should this effect our personal purpose in life?