

Ephesians 2:14–18 | Death to Hostility

Study Questions from 27.04.2025 sermon

Introduction

- i. In our study today we will be considering division and hostility between groups. What have been/are some of the most divided groups of people in history?

Discuss

- ii. Read Ephesians 2:14-18. Which sentence tells us *how* Jesus achieved peace & reconciliation between the two hostile groups? How did He do it?
- iii. Look at v16. How have you seen, or experienced, gospel-centred reconciliation between people?
- iv. Look at v14. What things caused divisions between the two groups mentioned? What aspects of your background—nationality, ethnicity, social class, education—might you use as a barrier to divide yourself from other Christians (perhaps subconsciously), because you over-value these things as being intrinsic to your identity?
- v. Argyle has grown rapidly over the past 3 years. We are becoming an intercultural church. It is crucial we are united in this change and growth. Look up Ephesians 4:3 and discuss what specific efforts we can make.
- vi. Look at v18. This is a trinitarian verse. Why does Paul end this section with this verse; what bearing does it have on what Paul has just said?

Pray

Spend some time praying about what you've discussed and pray for one another.