

How the Called Out Came Together

Week 4 • Student Worksheet



SMALL-GROUP WORKSHEET • WATCH THE VIDEO, THEN WORK THROUGH THIS TOGETHER

In your group, talk through every question out loud. Don't rush to the "right" answer — let everyone weigh in. We'll come back together for the last 20 minutes to share what you found.

THE TEXT

"Therefore accept one another, just as Christ also accepted you, to the glory of God."

Romans 15:7 • CSB

Part 1 • Discussion

Start on the surface and work toward the heart. Jot a few notes so you can share with the class.

- 1. Warm-up:** Think of a time you walked into a room where you knew no one, and somebody crossed the room to bring you in. What did that do for you?
- 2. The room in Rome:** Jewish believers returned from exile to congregations reorganized without them, divided over food and days. What changes when "accept one another" answers that room, not a slogan?
- 3. No audit:** Paul says to welcome the one weak in faith, "but don't argue about disputed matters." The welcome comes first. Where do we make welcome conditional on someone measuring up?
- 4. Take to yourselves:** The word Paul uses means to take a person toward yourself, the way Priscilla and Aquila took Apollos home. Where does tolerating someone differ from taking them toward you?

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5. **As Christ welcomed you:** Christ welcomed us while we were still helpless, ungodly, and sinners, and tore down a dividing wall to do it. What does it cost to extend that same welcome to someone else?

6. **To the glory of God:** Welcome puts mercy on display. Where has welcome at Cornerstone shown the watching world something it could not explain in any other terms?

7. **Bringing it home:** Who is one person on the edge of your circle — a visitor, a drifting brother, a sister in a hard season? What is the next concrete welcome, and when will you take it?

"The called-out came together as a body where the door stays open as wide as the cross made it."