



DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Read Ephesians 2:11–12 in the New Living Translation.

Why were the Gentiles being "excluded from citizenship among the people of Israel?"

What barriers do you think exist today (or in recent history) that christian culture has used to exclude people from joining the family of God?

2. **How can Jesus' resurrection (which brought unity between Jews and Gentiles) continue to facilitate unity within the Body of Christ, today?**

3. Read Ephesians 2:19–20.

Why is it significant to us that Jesus' death and resurrection created room for the Gentiles to join in as members of God's family?



COMMUNION FAQ

HOW & WHY DO WE PRACTICE COMMUNION?

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

Anyone who has accepted God's forgiveness and surrendered their lives to Him are invited to share Communion. Those who haven't made a faith decision yet are encouraged to let the communion elements pass by and just observe.

HOW CAN I PREPARE MY HEART?

Ask God for forgiveness for any sins that come to mind - especially any against those present in the room with you or in your church community. This is a good time to refocus your heart's desires onto His will and to repent for actions or attitudes that do not glorify Him.

WHY IS IT IMPORTANT?

Communion helps us remember all that Jesus has done for us and is still doing for us. Communion gives us an opportunity to check ourselves and square ourselves with God and each other. Communion unites us as followers of Jesus in his vision and mission for his church

WHAT IS INVOLVED?

During communion at Mission City, bread and juice are served. The bread (or cracker) represents Jesus' body which was broken for us on the cross. The juice represents the blood of Jesus that cleanses us from sin and which also tells us that God's new promises to us are based on His grace and forgiveness.

WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY?

- 1 Corinthians 10:16-17
- Matthew 26:26-29
- Luke 22:19-20