



Love God



Love One Another



Do Mission Together

Home Group study: week beginning 10th October 2022

THEME: Building Blocks – Gift of Grace

PREACHER: Tim Cowles

PASSAGE: Ephesians 2:1-10 & Ephesians 3:8-12

Introduction:

Tim asked the question – How far does your grace extend to your neighbours? He then shared a situation where he had to ask their neighbours if they could be quieter.

Have you ever had to confront your neighbours over a situation, how did you approach it, how did it go, how was it received?

Our grace for each other can run out but God's grace for us is rich and never runs out.

Read Ephesians 2:1-10

(I always like to consider asking 'what immediately stands out in the passage?')

Verses 1-3:

What do you think some of the differences between 'transgressions' and 'sins' are? Is the difference helpful to consider?

What might some of the 'ways of this world' be?

Do you feel that people today focus on 'gratifying the cravings of our flesh and following its desires and thoughts'? Are people able to resist this natural instinct? Do you still experience these natural instincts yourself at times?

Verses 4-10

What is God's gift of grace for us described here?

What do you think it means in verse 6 that we are 'seated with him in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus'?

Tim shared an illustration of a rundown house that is saved for being demolished, is repaired, is fully furnished, and finally is utilised in its street to bless the neighbourhood as a reflection of God's incomparable riches to us through his grace.

How have you experienced the richness of God's grace in your life?

What do you think about verse 8-9 that both the grace and faith are gifts from God?

How can a knowledge and experience of God's grace in our lives help us in our walk of faith and help us in our communities?

Close:

Ephesians 3:10-12 – Paul indicates that God's chosen the CHURCH as the way he's chosen to reveal the accomplishment of Christ Jesus to all generations.

Pray for each other, that we'd experience afresh the grace of God in our lives and his incomparable riches.

Pray for the church worldwide and our church that God would use us more and more to reveal the accomplishment of Jesus to our generation.