



Group Discussion and Application

1. What words best describe your response to Ephesians 2:1-10?
2. Review the meaning of 'dead' (v.1) and 'alive' (v.5). Give some synonyms of each.
3. What are some implications of the statement in v. 5 that "even when we were dead in our transgressions, [God] made us alive"?
4. Why are grace and works mutually exclusive as grounds for salvation?
5. What are some of the works by which men seek salvation?
6. Explain the relationship between faith and works. List some fruits of faith.
7. Define 'good works' (v.10). Give some practical examples of good works.
8. We have been seated with Christ in the heavenly places (v.6) and our citizenship is in heaven (Phil. 3:21). How should this realization affect our daily living?
9. V. 10 describes the believer as God's workmanship created in Christ Jesus. 2Cor 5:17 says, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creature; the old things passed away; behold new things have come. Give some specific examples of ways in which the old has passed away and the new has come.
10. How should we view/respond to the person who professes faith in Christ but shows no fruit (obedience, holiness, good works)?



Personal Reflection and Response

1. What evidence do you have in your life of the radical transformation Paul has described in Ephesians 2:1-10?
2. What good works will you walk in this week as evidence of your faith?



Family Homework

1. Define and illustrate the following words as used by Paul: *dead, alive, faith, mercy, grace, works, boast*.
2. Memorize Ephesians 2:8-9.



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What Is Ephesians 2:4-10

Having described the believer's former state apart from Christ (vv. 1-3), Paul contrasts that with the believer's present state in Christ (vv. 4-10).

1 The Condition

2 The Cause

3 The Conduct