Living Christ..





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Sermon in a Sentence

Salvation not only brings about a transformation, but it also brings us together.



What does it mean that we are blended together in Christ?

I. We were Outcasts.

- A. Paul explained that prior to Christ, the Gentiles in the church were outcasts.
 - 1. They were outcasts in the eyes of Israel.
 - 2. They were outcasts in the eyes of God.
- B. We, too, were outcasts because of our sin.
- C. As long as we remain in sin while God may love us, we will never be acceptable in His sight.

II. We have been Reconciled.

- A. A. Paul further explained to the Gentiles that through Christ they have now been reconciled.
 - 1. They have been reconciled into the true Israel.
 - 2. They have been reconciled to God.
 - Romans 5:10

For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life.

- B. Despite being in sin, we too have been reconciled.
 - 1. We have been grafted into the stock of Israel.
 - 2. We have been reconciled back to God.
- C. As long as we continue to reject Christ, we will never be reconciled to God.

III. We have been made One.

- A. Paul closes by expanding on the idea of what it means to be made one in Christ.
- B. What did Jesus do for us when He made us one?
 - 1. He defeated division.
 - 2. He proclaimed peace.
 - 3. He welcomed us in.
 - 4. He facilitated our adoption.
 - 5. He put us under construction.
- C. Our salvation was really the ground-breaking on something much bigger!