

## Sunnyside Church Study Questions

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### **Scripture, Ephesians 2:1-10**

As for you, you were dead in your transgressions and sins,<sup>2</sup> in which you used to live when you followed the ways of this world and of the ruler of the kingdom of the air, the spirit who is now at work in those who are disobedient.<sup>3</sup> All of us also lived among them at one time, gratifying the cravings of our flesh and following its desires and thoughts. Like the rest, we were by nature deserving of wrath.<sup>4</sup> But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy,<sup>5</sup> made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved.<sup>6</sup> And God raised us up with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus,<sup>7</sup> in order that in the coming ages he might show the incomparable riches of his grace, expressed in his kindness to us in Christ Jesus.<sup>8</sup> For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—<sup>9</sup> not by works, so that no one can boast.<sup>10</sup> For we are God’s handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

### **Questions:**

#1. For review, can you recall the 4 key identity statements for us in Christ for Eph. 1:1-14?

Hint: Chosen – Adopted – Redeemed - & Marked

Why are these significant for us to remember?

#2. In verses 1-5 above Paul goes into further detail to describe what we as believers have been “redeemed” (Eph. 1:7) from. This is a continuation of thought on “blessings” we have received in Christ (Eph. 1:3). What are some of the specific things he mentions?

#3. What is it that caused God to act on our behalf and send Christ to intervene in mess of sin (vs. 4-5)? How has this become personal for you in your story?

#4. We are told that God has made us alive, raised us up, and seated us in with Him in the heavenly realms (vs. 5-6). How are these different and how are they similar? Which one of them ministers to you right now the most? Take some time to share that with the group.

#5. Please reread **Eph. 2:10** together as a group. It speaks of our identity, our mission, and what God wants us to give our lives to. As you pray for each other, please let this verse guide your prayer for each other.