

Connection Group Questions October 10, 2021 Series: Ephesians- Union and Unity

"In him and through faith in him we may approach God with freedom and confidence." ~ Ephesians 3:12

Opening

The message started with this affirmation, "God uses messed up people to fulfill his mission on earth." Where do we find this in the Bible? Do you find this to be true in your life?

Digging Deeper

Read Ephesians 3:1-13

One way of reading/interpreting Ephesians is through three big questions:

- Who and I? (Identity)
- Where do I fit? (Belonging)
- What do I contribute? (Purpose)

How has Paul answered the question of identity so far in Ephesians?

Identity Crisis Quiz: Are you having an identity crisis?

- 1. You change with your environment.
- 2. Your relationships mould you.
- 3. You change your opinion often.
- 4. You don't like being asked about yourself.
- 5. You get bored quickly.
- 6. Your relationships are shallow.
- 7. You don't trust yourself.

How do you answer the question of identity?

Belonging Quiz: Why do I feel so disconnected from people?

How has Paul answered the question of belonging so far in Ephesians?

- 1. Trauma
- 2. Lacked parental attachment.
- 3. Fear if intimacy and vulnerability.
- 4. Trapped in a false narrative.

- 5. Networking, or relationship building (i.e. you use people)
- 6. Social Media
- 7. Clinical depression

How do you answer the question of belonging?

How does Paul answer the question of purpose in his digression? How is he stating his purpose in God's mission?

So, how would you declare your purpose/mission in life? Do you have one guiding purpose statement? Have you ever set life goals/purposes to fulfilling? If so, how did God use those goals?

Application

"God uses messed up people to fulfill his mission on earth." So how can God use you in fulfilling the great mission of the church?