

Sermon Overview CEFC
January 29, 2023

Title: God's Demolition and Construction Project

Passage: Ephesians 2:11-22

Introduction

Question: Who **BUILT** the **WALLS** of **HOSTILITY** that **SEPARATE** us and does God have a **PLAN** to **REMOVE** them?

Main Point: God wants to **TEAR DOWN** our **WALLS** of **HOSTILITY** so that He can **REBUILD** us into a **TEMPLE** in which He will **DWELL**

Becoming God's Dwelling Place

We are natural born **WALL BUILDERS**

Conclusion: Our **TENDENCY** is to choose up sides and **SEPARATE**

God has completed His **DEMOLITION PLAN** to **DEMOLISH OUR WALLS**

Conclusion: God's wants us to embrace **UNITY**

God is working His **REBUILDING PLAN** for **HIS NEW TEMPLE**

Conclusion: God wants us to **REMOVE** our **COUNTERFEIT** cornerstones

CONCLUSION

Sermon Based Small Group Questions

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Main Point: God wants to tear down our walls of hostility so that He can rebuild us into a temple in which He will dwell

1. As you look at our world today, what are some issues over which people divide and put up walls? Have you seen any of these issues result in walls being built in church? How did that play out?
2. Jews living in Paul's time could not imagine a world in which Gentiles would be given access to God. What groups might be hard for you to accept into God's presence? What might Jesus say to you?
3. What secondary hope do you have the greatest tendency to elevate to "greatest hope" status?
4. What is a practical way you can promote unity in Christ's body this week?
5. Take a look at Philippians 2:1-11. How might that passage address how we seek unity in our church?
6. What are some things we can look for to make sure we are unifying on the right things?