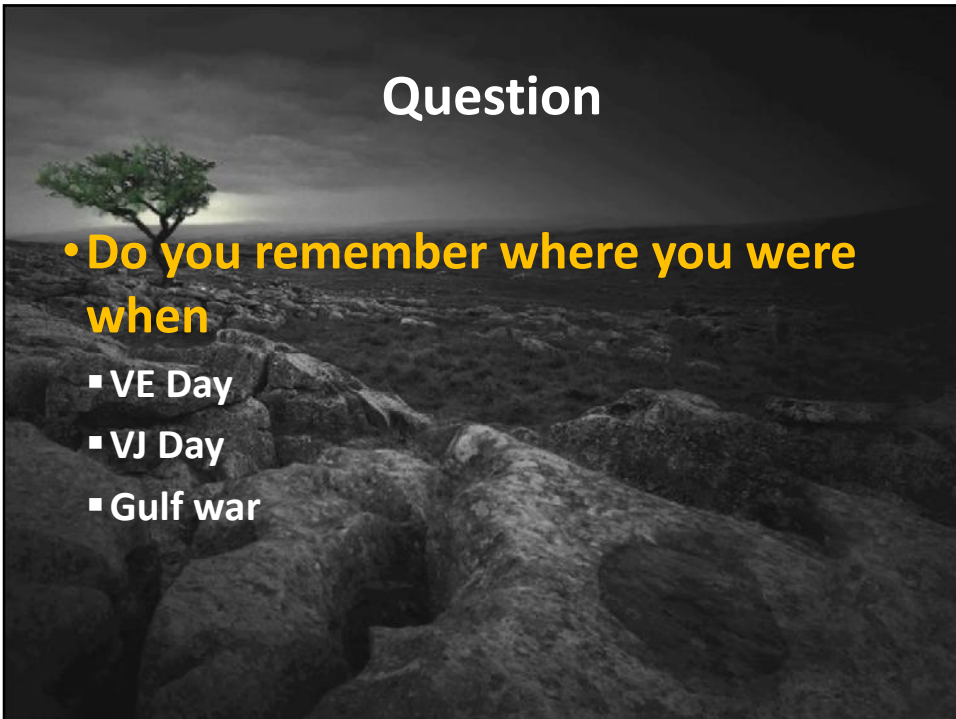


Question

- **Do you remember where you were when**
 - You heard Kennedy's was assassinated
 - When man landing on the moon
 - Reagan was shot
 - 9/11



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- **Do you remember where you were when**
 - VE Day
 - VJ Day
 - Gulf war

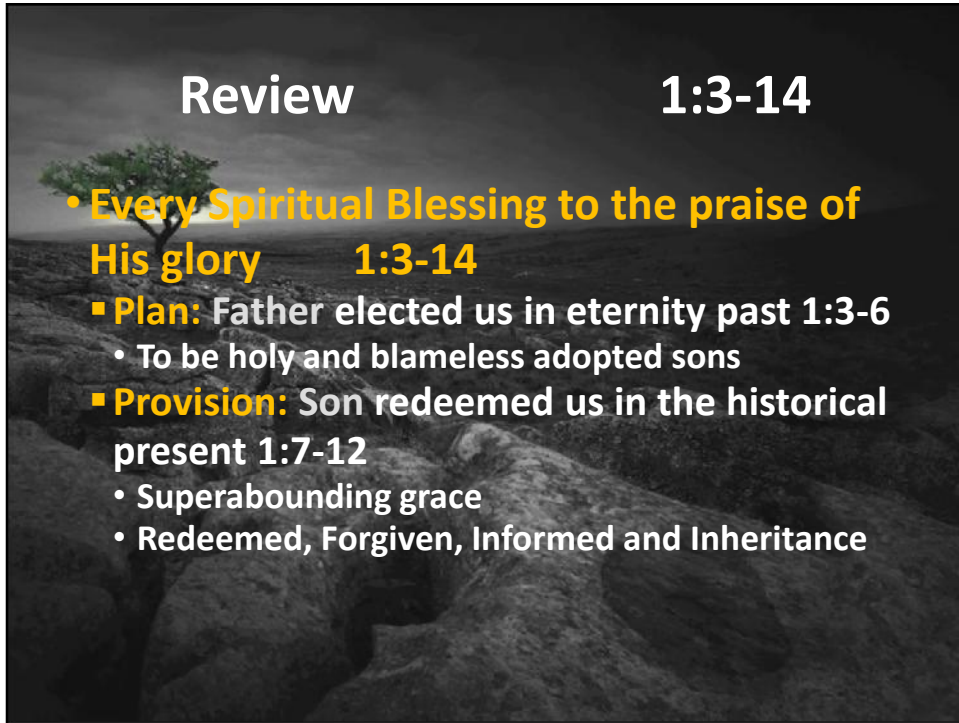
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- **Do you remember what your life was like before you trusted in Christ?**
- **Do you ever remember a significant paradigm shift in your thinking?**
 - Doctrinal truth corrected
 - World view clarification

Review

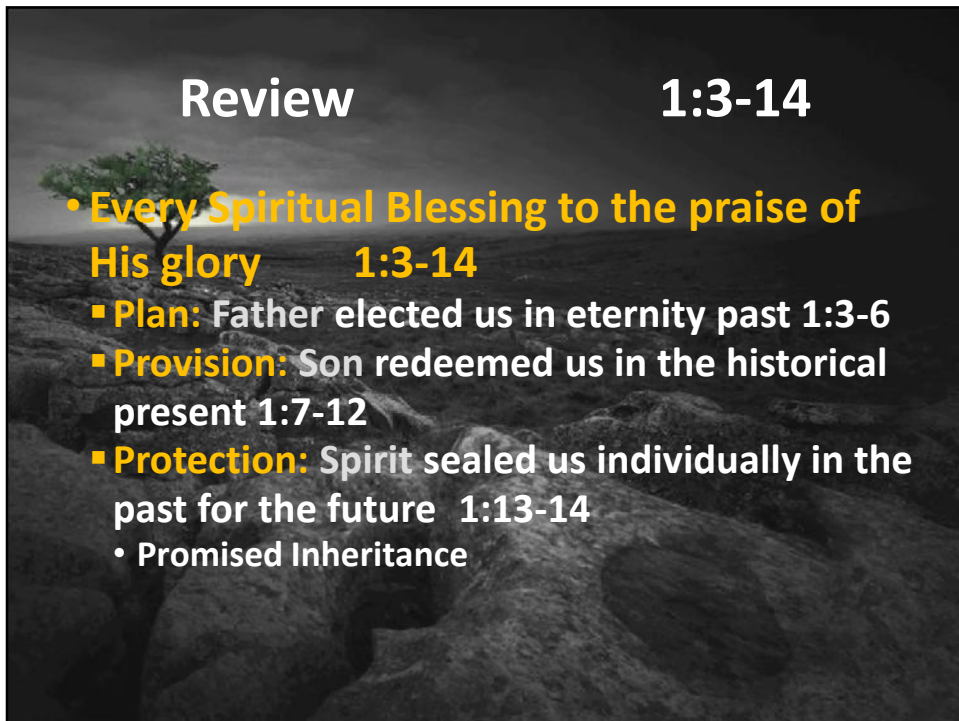
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- **Paul writes to those “in Christ” 1:1-2**
 - That they might experience God’s grace and peace



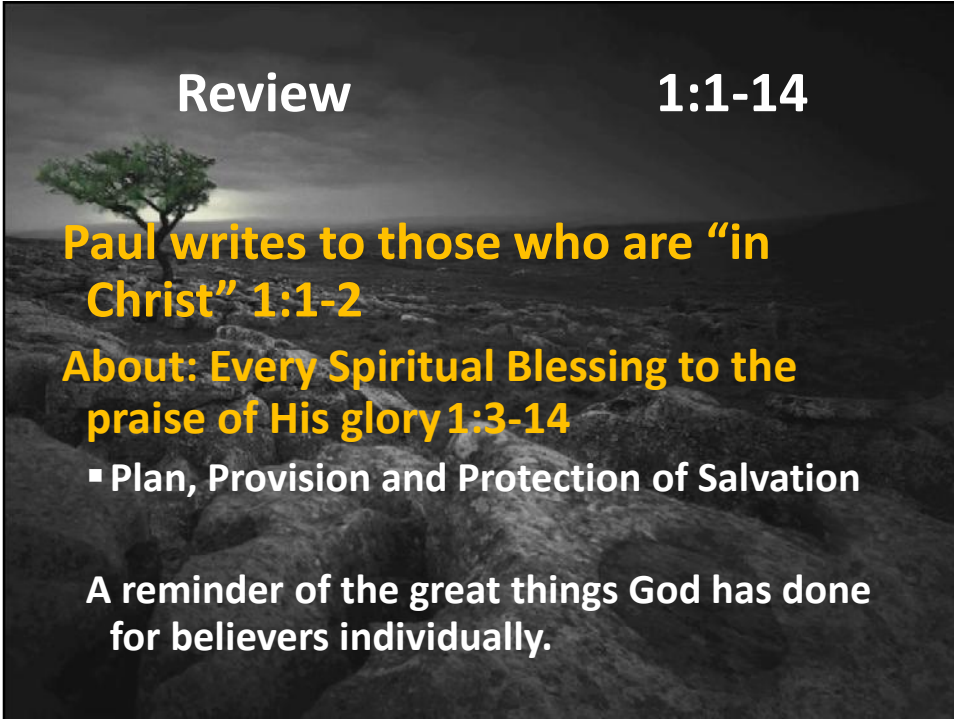
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- **Every Spiritual Blessing to the praise of His glory 1:3-14**
 - **Plan:** Father elected us in eternity past 1:3-6
 - To be holy and blameless adopted sons
 - **Provision:** Son redeemed us in the historical present 1:7-12
 - Superabounding grace
 - Redeemed, Forgiven, Informed and Inheritance



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 - Promised Inheritance



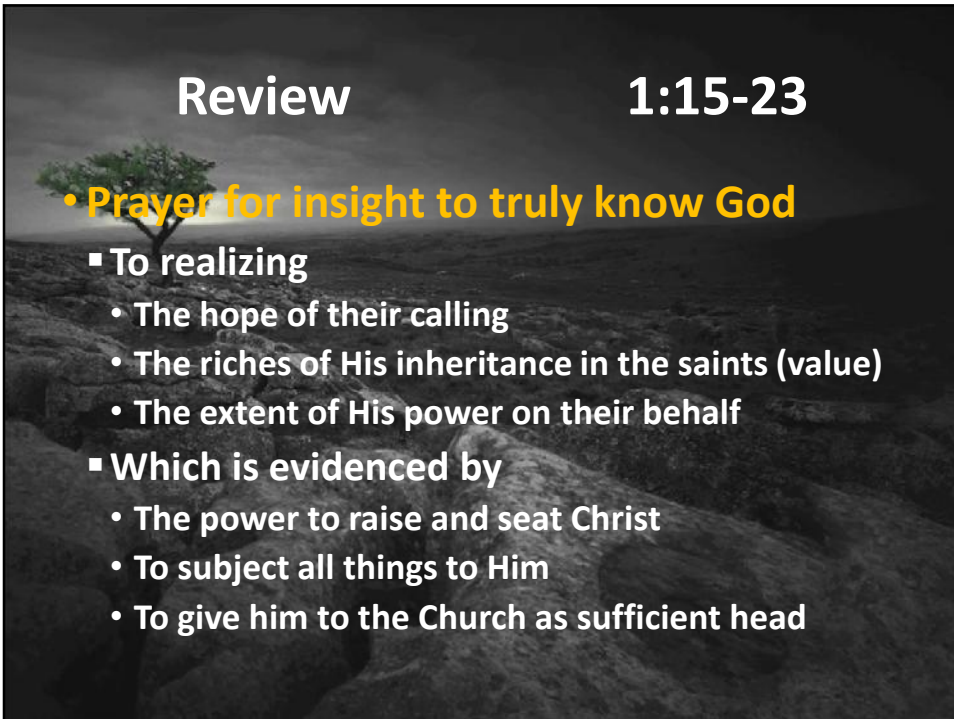
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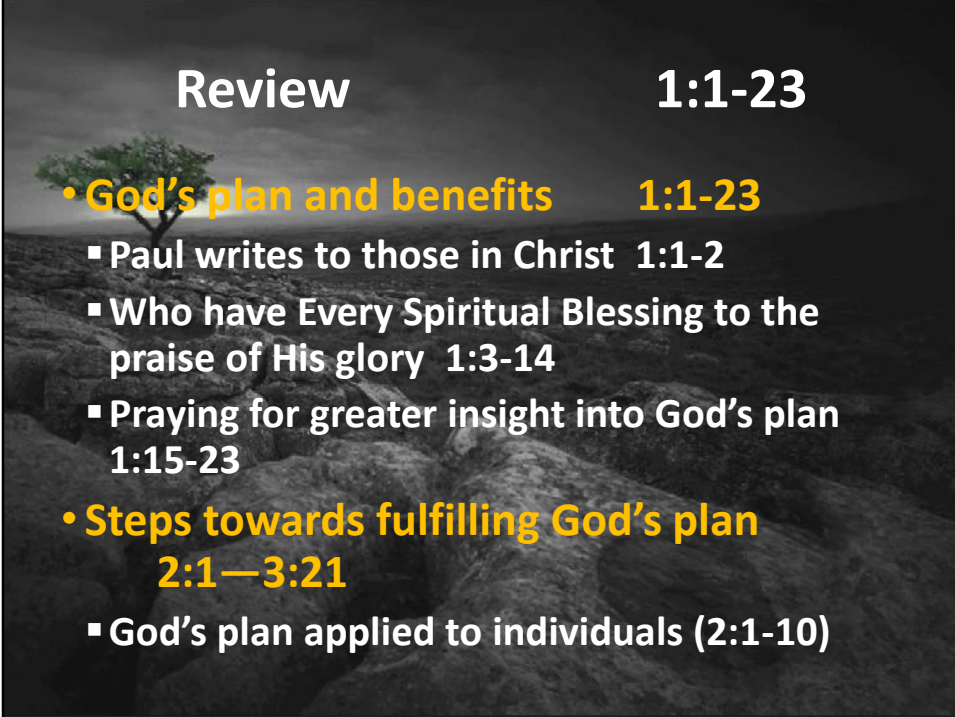
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A reminder of the great things God has done for believers individually.



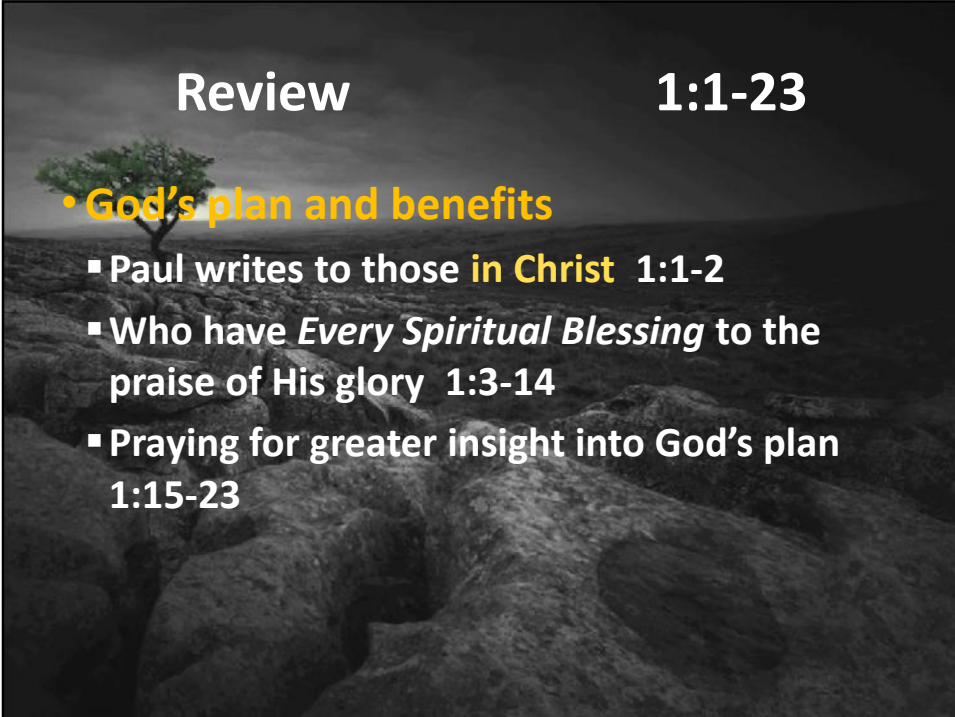
Review **1:15-23**

- **Prayer for insight to truly know God**
 - To realizing
 - The hope of their calling
 - The riches of His inheritance in the saints (value)
 - The extent of His power on their behalf
 - Which is evidenced by
 - The power to raise and seat Christ
 - To subject all things to Him
 - To give him to the Church as sufficient head



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- **God's plan and benefits** **1:1-23**
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Review 2:1-10

- **Steps towards fulfilling God's plan 2:1—3:21**
 - **God's plan applied to individuals (2:1-10)**
 - Everyman's condition apart from God 2:1-3
 - "But God"
 - ◇ Rich in mercy
 - ◇ Based on His grace provided a relationship with Him
 - ◇ Obtained through faith
 - ◇ For the purpose of revealing God's grace through actions

The Problem

11 Therefore
remember that at one time you
Gentiles in the flesh,
called "the circumcision"
by what is called the circumcision,
which is made in the flesh by hands—

12 remember that you were at that time
separate from Christ,
alienated from the commonwealth of Israel,
and strangers to the covenants of promise,
having no hope
and without God in the world.

The Provision

- 13 But now in Christ Jesus
you who once were far off
have been brought near by the blood of Christ.
- 14 For he himself is our peace,
who has made us both one
and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility
by abolishing the law of commandments expressed in ordinances,
15 that he might create in himself one new man in place of two,
so making peace,
16 and might reconcile us both to God in one body
through the cross,
thereby killing the hostility.
- 17 And he came and preached
peace to you who were far off,
and peace to those who were near.
- 18 For through him we both have access
in one Spirit
to the Father.

The Product

- 19 So then you are no longer strangers and aliens,
but you are fellow citizens with the saints
and members of household of God,
20 built on the foundation of
the
apostles
and prophets,
Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone,
21 in whom the whole structure,
being joined together,
grows into a holy temple in the Lord.
- 22 In him you also are being built together
into a dwelling for God by the Spirit.

Calvary Church Vision Statement

Diverse and United

We will strive to be a multigenerational, multiethnic, intergenerational, intercultural Body in which a variety of ages and races joyfully experience our diversities and our oneness in Christ. We will be sensitive to varying cultures in order to capture our world for Christ and reflect the supernatural oneness that shows we are followers of Christ.

Question

- What is the difference between multi-generational and inter-generational?
- When you hear us describe/define Calvary as intergenerational—what do you think of?

The Problem: Separation 2:11-12

- **Call to Remember 2:11**

- Paul describes the Gentile position from a Jewish perspective

- **Former state 2:12**

- 5 Elements of separation
- Deprived, Disconnected and Distant

The Provision: Christ 2:13-18

- **Separation removed 2:13**

- “But now”
 - Union declared

- **Explanation of union 2:14-18**

- Assertion of Peace 2:14-16



The Provision: Christ 2:13-18

• **What is peace?**

- Not merely the cessation of hostility
- *Shalom*—peace in the presence of God
- Biblically a comprehensive term for life with God



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• **Explanation of union 2:14-18**

- Assertion of Peace 2:14-16
 - Demolition process
 - ◇ Law required separation
 - ◇ Jewish mindset became one of superiority leading to hostility
 - Construction process
 - ◇ One new “man”



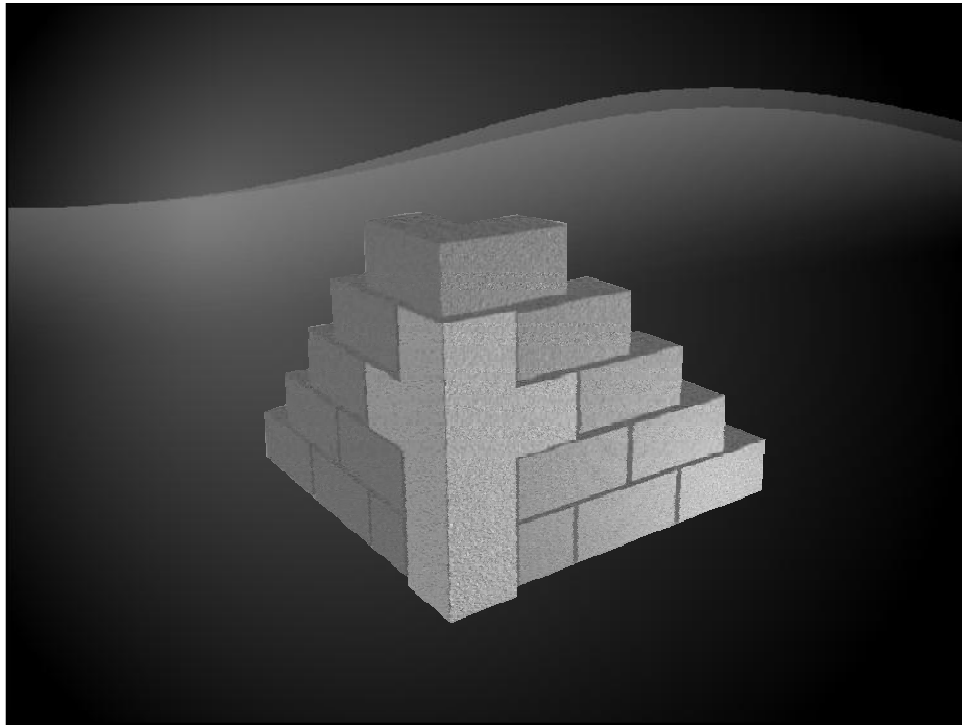
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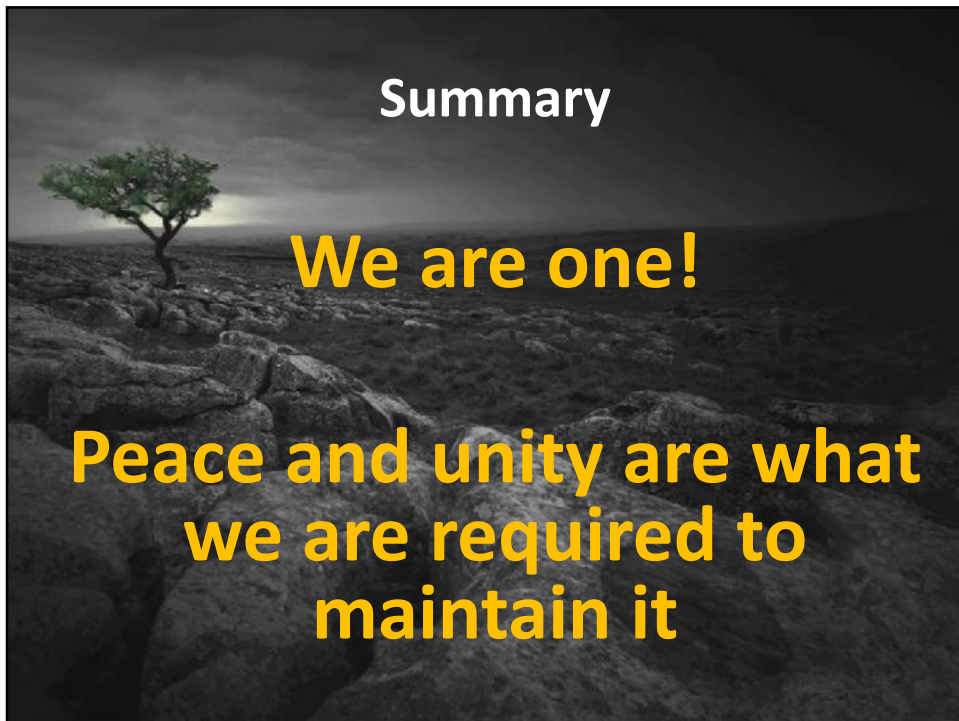
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- **Formation 2:21**
 - **Founded on Him, exists in Him**
- **Function—dwelling place for God 2:22**





Summary

- **Who are one?**
 - Every
 - Race
 - Nation, Tribe and Language
 - Age
 - Gender
- **Why is this important?**
 - Because in Christ, God accomplished what no peace process or moment could do.



Summary

We are one!

Peace and unity are what we are required to maintain it