

Session 9

November 16, 2014

### **Ephesians Chapter 2, Verses 19-22**

What images come to mind when you read this passage?

**Last week Jeff reminded us that the two major themes of Paul's letter to the Ephesians are:  
The Person of Christ and the unity of the church.**

Some other Scripture passages that focus on "joined together" and "unity":

Matthew 19, Verses 4 – 6

Acts 1, Verses 12 – 14

Romans 6: Verses 4 - 7

1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 1, Verse 10

Philippians 2, Verses 1 – 13

Colossians 2, Verses 2 - 3

#### **Current Application:**

Stephen Ministry training: In the written Chinese language, the symbol for "crisis" is made up of the symbols for "danger" and "opportunity."

We are embarking on a great adventure – building a new parsonage and sanctuary. One of the ways we will be attacked is by the temptation to look horizontally at each other.

Matthew 20, Verses 1 – 16

Who will we focus on? Matthew 14, Verses 22 – 32 and Hebrews 12, Verses 1 – 2

#### **Encouragement and Prayer Focus**

Pray for ourselves – what has God given to me that I can contribute to this work?

Pray for every person who works on these buildings – architects, engineers, crafts people, laborers. May they be physically safe. May they see Christ in us. May they be saved. May they join together in a Christian community for worship and ministry.

Pray for the streams of living water that will flow from this new parsonage and sanctuary in Christ's Name to the glory of God by the power of the Holy Spirit – what do these streams look like to you?