## **EPHESIANS – Session 3**

## The Transformation God Has Made

## Read Eph. 2. 1-10.

How does Paul describe life without Christ? (v.1.) Before Jesus came in what 3 influences dominated life? (v.2.) In what ways did this show? (v.3.) This part of the chapter is in 2 sharply contrasting parts. What two words make the contrast? (v.4.)

But God (v.4.) Compare this with Gen.50. 18-20.

And see another 'but' in verse 13.

What are the 3 things God has done for us in Christ? (v.5-6)

What are the 3 'togethers' in this piece? (v.5-6).

Add also v. 21 and say what these 'togethers' tell us.

What is the ground of our salvation? (v.8.)

What is the relationship between grace and faith? (v.8-9)

What is God's purpose in us now? (v.10.) (Compare Titus 3.5-8 and Titus 2.14)

Luther used to say 'We are not saved by good works but we are saved for good works'.

Could you rephrase this as you would to a non-Christian friend? What would you say?

What would you say were the main differences between other religions and Christianity that are made clear from this passage?

If you had to pick just one thought or one phrase or one verse from this chapter, what would it be?

Each answer in turn.