

# **Peace**

Ephesians 2:14-22

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#### **Ephesians 2:14-18 – THE ACTIVE ROLE JESUS!**

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#### The Conclusion (Ephesians 2:19-22) "THEREFORE!"

#### We are fellow citizens and members

- + No longer strangers
- + No longer foreigners
- + A new identity! ["FORMING"]
- + We are united together as the household of......God!

#### We are being fitted together and growing

- + Learning to work together ["STORMING"]
- + Learning to grow together ["PERFORMING"]
- + This is all possible because of the work of......Jesus!

#### We are built up together

- + Maturity! ["NORMING"]
- + This can only be accomplished through the......Holy Spirit!