

## Connect Bible Study - Peace Week 1

As a community we are turning our attention this term to peace.

As a starting point, how would you define peace or what do you think peace is?

Do you think peace is important as a christian? Why / why not?

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As we think about what it means to have a biblical concept of peace, Ephesians 2:13-21 is a central passage.

Before you read it, take some time to settle your heart, and still your mind. Invite the Holy Spirit to speak to you, to perhaps highlight a line or a word as you read. When a line or word is highlighted to you, or stands out to you, you may want to write it down.

When you are ready, read the passage together aloud. Read it slowly and in multiple versions and as you read, think about these questions for discussion afterwards.

1. What stands out to you in this passage? Why do you think that stands out to you?
2. Is there anything that confuses you or bothers you about this passage? Can anyone else in the group shed some light on it?
3. What does this passage tell us about peace?
4. Does anything you read change your perception of God or yourself?
5. How might we best respond to this passage in our daily lives?

Take some time to pray for one another.