

## Group Prayer Focus

- Express thanksgiving to God for reconciling you to Himself through Christ's atoning sacrifice.
- Knowing that you have peace with God, pray that you will remain faithful in your walk with Him.
- Pray for specific people you know who are still alienated from God.



## Community Groups

... because life is better in community

## Colossians Series: The Superiority of Christ

**Enemies of God:** Colossians 1:19-23

### Problem

\_\_\_\_\_ from God

\_\_\_\_\_ of God

### Solution

Christ's sacrificial death on the cross provided the only

\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

solution to our sin problem.

*Blood*

*Body*

### Results

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. New \_\_\_\_\_ before God

### Now What?

✓ Are you still an enemy of God?

✓ \_\_\_\_\_

✓ \_\_\_\_\_

✓ \_\_\_\_\_ Sanctification

# Discussion Guide

## Getting Started

1. Did you have any childhood enemies in school or your neighborhood? What was the source of the conflict?

## Problem

1. How does Ephesians 2:1, 4:17-19, and Romans 5:10 describe the non-Christian?
2. Being described as an enemy of God seems quite harsh. How were you out of harmony and at odds with God prior to faith in Christ?
3. How can we lovingly, but firmly discuss with non-Christians their position with God without Christ?

## Solution

1. According to Mark 10:45 and I Timothy 2:6, what did Christ become for us?

2. As you reflect on the physical sacrifice of Christ, what comes to mind?
3. Why does the concept of a “good works”-based salvation or salvation plus “good works” conflict with the atonement of Christ?

## Results

1. According to Romans 5:1-9 what are some additional benefits of justification through faith in Christ?

## What now?

1. Although these benefits are fully realized in the next life, how does our position in Christ have bearing on the here and now?
2. What are some ways we can show our gratitude to God for changing our position as His enemies through faith in Christ?