#### **OPENING DISCUSSION**

Have you ever been invited to join a club? What were the requirements to join? Did you have to do anything or change anything about yourself?



### **SERMON**

What is the basis of our being invited to come close to the family of God?

What are the benefits of a Christian's reconciliation with God? What has Jesus done for us?

What does it mean that Jesus abolished the law of commandments?

What are the implications of making peace with God?

## **APPLICATION**

How would you describe what happens when a person becomes a Christian? What steps do you observe in this passage?

In what ways is God hostile to those who are not in the family of God?

How does this truth motivate us to draw near to God and to invite others to draw near as well?

Not a part of a Small Group at North Hills?

Visit the church website and check out the different groups currently meeting.

When you see one that interests you, click on the link provided and know that the group will be glad you came!

https://church.north-hills.org/connect/small-group-ministry



# Ephesians 2:13-16 (ESV)

But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility by abolishing the law of commandments expressed in ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility.

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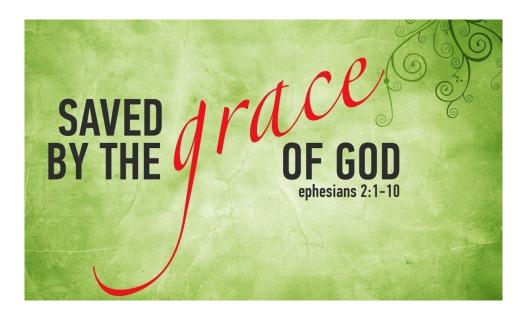
# An Intimate Gospel

A Great Reconciliation

BIG IDEA:		
in Jesus' sacrifice on the cross is what		
	us to God.	
We are brought  (Ephesians 2:13)	by the	of Christ.
2. Jesus did (Ephesians 2:14-15)		for us on His
3. We are		ether by being joined to Jesus in the
Response: How does to God?	in Jesus' sacrifice mo	otivate you to draw

## Read the entire Bible chronologically in a year

See the church newsletter for this week's Bible reading passages. (https://church.north-hills.org/newsletters/weekly-newsletter)



## Children's Worship on Sunday mornings - preschool to 5th grade

Parents and guardians, on non-rainy days we ask that you check in your children at the playground in between Dodson Hall and the Worship Center. After service, return to the playground in a timely fashion to check your children out. On rainy days, check-in and check-out will be inside Dodson Hall. Children's Worship is not mandatory. Parents and guardians are welcome to keep their children with them in the Worship Center.

### The FAMILY ROOM

Want a place to go during the worship service when your young one is crying?

Want a place to go when your newborn needs to be fed?

Want a place to go where the service can be watched?

The Family Room has been designed especially for you!

The Family Room (located on the first floor by the wooden double doors) is for parents who want to care for their children yet do not want to miss out on what is happening in the Worship Center. Parents, we invite you to come inside and make yourself at home.

We also have another room for parents. It is located on the second floor. It is a larger room where children can play and parents can watch the service as it is live streamed. The room next door has a restroom. Please feel free to use it and let us know if there is anything you need.

Parents, we are so glad you are here at North Hills. It is an honor and joy to serve you and your children. May God bless you today.

# Communication Cards and Offering Envelopes

At the **main entrance** and **senior parking lot entrance** of the Worship Center, you will find a pedestal box when you leave today. If you have filled out a Communication Card or Offering Envelope, please insert them into either of the boxes (please note the boxes will remain out for 15 minutes after the service). For those who prefer to contribute online, simply go to north-hills.org and click on Support NH or text GIVE to (707) 289-7600.