



Riverstone
BAPTIST CHURCH

Sermon Based Questions

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Series- All things Under Christ Part 4

Paul, the mystery & the Gentiles

*6 This mystery is that through the gospel the Gentiles are heirs together with Israel, members together of one body, and sharers together in the promise in Christ Jesus. **Ephesians 3:6***

1. Paul and the mystery. Ephesians 3:1-7.

2. Paul a servant, who makes plain the mystery that includes the Gentiles. Ephesians 3:8-13.

A. Examining the texts.

How would you define the word, “mystery?” What mystery in your life have you seen uncovered that changed your perception of things?

1. Read Ephesians 3:1-3. What do you think Paul means by the phrase: “administration of God’s grace?” How does that describe his ministry?
2. Read Ephesians 3:4-7. What according to this section is this mystery of which Paul speaks? What about it, is mysterious?
3. Read Ephesians 3:8-10. What does this section reveal about Paul’s self perception, and why do you think that he has this view of himself?
4. Read Ephesians 3:11-12. What do you think was Gods eternal purpose spoken of here?
5. Read Ephesians 3:13. How were Paul’s sufferings here to “there glory?”

B. Meditation & application

6. When you think about serving to learn and learning to serve- what do you think that you can learn about how Paul saw his ministry from this passage? How could you imitate him in your serving?
7. Paul’s gospel seems to be about unveiling a mystery and making it plain in order that outsiders might be welcomed in. How can we be involved in similar work in our world?
8. Obviously Jew and Gentile relations do not have the same relevance as they did in the first century for the church. But how does that example speak to us about how we relate together as a church?

A Prayer: Heavenly Father- thankyou for making known the mystery of the gospel through the ministry of Paul. Help us like him, to be administrators of God’s grace. Seeking the salvation of the lost. In Jesus Name- Amen.