## **Ephesians 3:1-11 • Manifold Wisdom of God**

## **Review**

Ephesians 1:9 making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ

Ephesians 1:10 as a **plan** for the **fullness of time**, **to unite all things in him**, things in **heaven** and things on **earth**.

Revelation 5:9 And they sang a new song, saying, "Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation (ethnos: nations, gentiles.)

Matthew 28:19 Go **therefore** and make disciples of all **nations**, baptizing them in the name of the **Father** and of the **Son** and of the **Holy Spirit**,

Ephesians 3:1 For this reason I, Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus on behalf of you Gentiles (ethnos) (nations)—

## For this reason...

Ephesians 2:14 For he himself is our peace, who has **made us both one** and has broken down **in his flesh** the dividing wall of hostility

Ephesians 2:15 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,

Ephesians 2:16 and might **reconcile us both to God** in **one** body through **the cross**, thereby killing the hostility.

Ephesians 2:19 So then you are **no longer strangers** and **aliens**, but **you are fellow citizens** with the **saints** and **members of the household of God**,

Ephesians 3:2 assuming that you have heard of the **stewardship of God's grace** that was given to me for you,

Ephesians 3:3 how the **mystery was <u>made known</u> to me by revelation**, as I have written briefly.

Ephesians 3:4 When you read this, you can perceive my insight into the mystery of Christ,

Ephesians 3:5 which was **not made known** to the **sons of men in other generations** as it has **now been revealed** to his holy apostles and prophets **by the Spirit.** 

Ephesians 3:6 This mystery is that the Gentiles are fellow heirs, members of the same body, and partakers of the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

Ephesians 3:7 Of this **gospel** I was made a **minister** according to the **gift of God's grace**, which was given me by the **working of his power**.

Ephesians 3:8 To me, though I am the **very least of all the saints**, this **grace** was given, **to preach to the Gentiles** (*nations*) **the unsearchable riches of Christ**,

2Corinthians 1:20 For **all the promises of God** find their **Yes in him**. That is why it is through him that we utter our Amen to God for his glory.

Ephesians 3:9 and to bring to light for everyone what is the <u>plan</u> of the mystery hidden for ages in God, who created all things,

- 1. to preach to the Gentiles (nations) the unsearchable riches of Christ.
- 2. to **bring to light** for **everyone** what is **the plan** (to unite all things in him) of the **mystery** (Gentiles are fellow heirs) **hidden for ages** in God.

Ephesians 3:10 so that through the church the <u>manifold wisdom of God</u> might now be <u>made known</u> to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places.

Ephesians 6:12 For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the **rulers**, against the **authorities**, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the **spiritual forces of evil** in the **heavenly places**.

1Peter 1:10 Concerning this **salvation**, the prophets who prophesied **about the grace that was to be yours** searched and inquired carefully,

1Peter 1:11 inquiring what person or time the Spirit of Christ in them was indicating when **he predicted the sufferings of Christ** and the **subsequent glories.** 

1Peter 1:12 It was **revealed to them** that they were serving not themselves but you, **in the things that have now been announced to you** through those who **preached the good news to you by the Holy Spirit** sent from heaven, **things into which angels long to look.** 

Ephesians 3:11 This (God's wisdom being made know to Satan and demons) was according to the eternal purpose that he has realized in Christ Jesus our Lord,

Genesis 3:15 I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring; **he shall bruise your head**, and **you shall bruise his heel.**"

Ephesians 3:6 This mystery is that the Gentiles are fellow heirs, members of the same body, and partakers of the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

1Corinthians 15:1 Now I would remind you, brothers, **of the gospel** I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand,

1Corinthians 15:2 and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain.

1Corinthians 15:3 For I delivered to you as of **first importance** what I also received: that **Christ died for our sins** in accordance with the Scriptures,

1Corinthians 15:4 that **he was buried**, that **he was raised** on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures,

Gospel: Christ died for our sins. Christ was buried. Christ was raised.

1Corinthians 1:22 For **Jews** demand signs and **Greeks** seek wisdom,

1Corinthians 1:23 but we preach **Christ crucified**, a stumbling block to **Jews** and folly to **Gentiles**,

1Corinthians 1:24 but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.

Ephesians 2:3 among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were **by nature children of wrath**, **like the rest of mankind**.

Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God -

Galatians 3:13 **Christ redeemed us from the curse** of the law **by becoming a curse for us**—for it is written, "Cursed is everyone who is hanged on a tree"—

Matthew 25:46 And these will go away into **eternal punishment**, but the righteous into eternal life."

1Thessalonians 1:10 and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, **Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.** 

Romans 5:9 Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be **saved by him from the wrath of God.** 

Isaiah 53:11 Out of the anguish of his soul he shall see and be satisfied; by his knowledge shall the righteous one, my servant, make many to be accounted righteous, and **he shall bear their iniquities.** 

2Corinthians 5:21 For our sake he made him to be **sin** who **knew no sin**, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

God choose that the means through which Satan and his demons would come to know God's superior, manifold wisdom would come through the church, the people

of God. People who were dead and by nature children of wrath. But God being great in mercy made His people alive by making Jesus to be sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

That we might become one man in Christ, who is our peace.

Genesis 3:15 I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring; **he shall bruise your head**, and **you shall bruise his heel.**"

Romans 16:20 The God of peace will soon **crush Satan under your feet**. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

Revelation 20:10 and devil who had deceived them was thrown into the **lake of** fire and sulfur where the beast and the false prophet were, and **they will be** tormented day and night forever and ever.

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