

Ephesians 3

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3 For this cause I Paul, the prisoner of Jesus Christ for you Gentiles, (A prisoner in love because God chose Paul to teach His Word. In doing so, Paul went from a persecutor of the church, to one of its greatest teachers. Paul was not a prophet, he was a Bible teacher)

2 If ye have heard of the dispensation of the grace of God which is given me to you-ward: (The dispensation of Christ's salvation through Paul to those that accept Jesus as God, become Christians and learn His Word)

3 How that by revelation he made known unto me the mystery; (as I wrote afore in few words, (The mystery - what happened in the garden, who the Kenites are, and the three world ages) Also see Romans-16:25 (The First Age))

4 Whereby, when ye read, ye may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ) (Learn God's Word truthfully, as Paul taught it. Understand why we are here and how you can be saved yourself and help others who want salvation)

(When you understand that there were three World Ages, you understand how God's plan works for us. Ignorant preachers teach that the world is 6,000 years old. They should not be teaching what they clearly don't understand. They drive people away from God's Word by their ignorance)

5 Which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit; (In the First Age. We were all there in our spiritual bodies. God said "Let us make man in our image. His image was Jesus – God in the flesh. He then ended the First Age and began the Second Age – the Age of testing us) (By God's Holy Spirit)

6 That the Gentiles should be fellow heirs, and of the same body, and partakers of his promise in Christ by the gospel: (God's salvation is open to all people who choose to accept it. We become members of Jesus Christ's church – Christians)

7 Whereof I was made a minister, according to the gift of the grace of God given unto me by the effectual working of his power. (By the love

of God toward Paul and toward us; the power of salvation is God's, not Paul's) See also Luke-10:19

⁸ Unto me, who am less than the least of all saints, is this grace given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ; (Paul carried the guilt of his first actions against the church his whole life)

(This should be a lesson to us. When God forgives your sins, don't keep bringing them back up. Go on with your life and do better. Jesus said to the woman who was accused of adultery – your sins are forgiven. Go forth and sin no more)

⁹ And to make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ: (fellowship = dispensation – bad translation. It is clear in the manuscripts. This speaks of a period of time. Why there are three world ages and what our part in them is)

¹⁰ To the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known by the church the manifold wisdom of God, (It is all known by those who have passed away – good and bad, in paradise, awaiting judgment) (When we die, instantly our soul returns to the Father who gave it) Ecclesiastes-12:7

¹¹ According to the eternal purpose which he purposed in Christ Jesus our Lord: (The purpose is God's plan; Jesus came to us in the flesh as our Lord and Savior)

2Peter-3 (also speaks of the First Age which passed away by water. That was not Noah's flood which only lasted a year and didn't destroy the whole world. The First Age ended in a cataclysmic extinction event. This Age will pass away by fire in another extinction event. The world is 4.5 billion years old. We don't know how much time passed between the end of the First Age, and the beginning of the Second Age)

¹² In whom we have boldness and access with confidence by the faith of him. (Jesus made the Father available to us directly when at the crucifixion, the veil was rent in the Holy of holies, in the temple. We no longer need a priest to act as our intercessor with God. That task was fulfilled by Jesus for all time)

¹³ Wherefore I desire that ye faint not at my tribulations for you, which is your glory. (Don't worry about Paul's imprisonment. He was in

prison for teaching God's Word. Take the Word, enjoy it and live a good life)

¹⁴ For this cause I bow my knees unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, (Paul thanked God for His forgiveness)

¹⁵ Of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named, (Christians – Christ men and women)

¹⁶ That he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man; (When we are our weakest, God strengthens our spirit. The world has hated Christians from day 1. It doesn't matter. Those that hate us will have a rude awakening when they stand before God)

¹⁷ That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love, (A deeply rooted tree thrives. By study, we become more and more knowledgeable into the deeper meanings and teachings of God)

¹⁸ May be able to comprehend with all saints what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height; (of God's love for us. It is immeasurable)

¹⁹ And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fullness of God. (passeth = to excel, to be successful in – better translation)

²⁰ Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, (The power of God works in Christians who work in God's plan)

²¹ Unto him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen. (all ages - the Three Ages)