

THE CHURCH A MYSTERY, AN EPIPHANY

Scripture: Ephesians 3:1-12

January 6, 2021

Message: **God sent me to reveal the secret plan that had been hidden since the beginning of time by God, who created everything. God's purpose is now to show the rulers and powers in the heavens the many different varieties of his wisdom through the church. This was consistent with the plan he had from the beginning of time that he accomplished through Christ Jesus our Lord.**
In Christ we have bold and confident access to God through faith in him.

Ephesians 3:9-12 (CEB)

How does this passage of scripture help me walk with Jesus on Epiphany?

Although we now face political, social, and economic divides as a nation and the entire system looks array, let us be reminded that our primary allegiance is to God. Paul stresses the practice of exercising vigilance and the duty it carries for us as leaders of the church in heaven and here on earth.

Previous verses in this chapter set the stage for the confirmation in verse 6. The Gentiles would be coheirs and parts of the same body, and they would share with the Jews in the promises of God in Jesus Christ.

Paul, at his lowest point in social stature, while imprisoned and chained, found his highest concept of self. Paul's epiphany showed that we should make no distinctions among ourselves because, ultimately, we are of one body, directed towards His will, not our own.

I am humbled to be a servant of the Lord, and as His servant, I must keep His truth and carry out justice according to His ordinances. By meditating on the Word, giving praise in worship, and asking for understanding, we learn from Paul the role and strength of revelation on our own walk as believers. Today we have a shared this epiphany as Christians, through the life of Paul, as to the will of God.

All praise to God!

Prayer: Most gracious and heavenly Father, we ask during this day of Epiphany that you help us ponder the precious words of Jesus, putting them into our heart, and making them our actions. We thank you for your wonderful gift of love and for the life that we share together through your Son Jesus. Continue to guide us and lead us to become courageous servants, established in truth, as we do your will. Amen.

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