

Ephesians 3:6-12 • The Manifold Wisdom of God

God's eternal purpose is to reveal His glorious grace to His adopted sons and daughters that results in them valuing Christ above everything and becoming the means of unity and love within His Body, the church.

*God's purpose is to unite all things in Christ.
God's means of unification is revealing His grace and empowering the recipients of that grace with the Holy Spirit.*

Will - Purpose - Plan - Mystery

Ephesians 1:1 Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the **will of God**, To the saints who are in Ephesus, and are faithful in Christ Jesus:

Ephesians 1:5 he predestined us for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the **purpose of his will**,

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

Ephesians 1:11 In him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the **purpose of him** who works all things according to the **counsel of his will**,

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

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

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Deliverance - Empowerment - Access - Confidence

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

Zechariah 4:6 Then he said to me, "This is the word of the LORD to Zerubbabel: **Not by might, nor by power**, but **by my Spirit**, says the LORD of hosts.

John 4:10 Jesus answered her, "If you knew the **gift of God**, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have **given you living water**."

John 7:37 On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and cried out, "**If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink**."

John 7:38 Whoever **believes in me**, as the Scripture has said, 'Out of his heart will flow rivers of **living water**.'"

John 7:39 Now this he said about the **Spirit**, whom those **who believed in him were to receive**, for as yet the Spirit had not been given, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

Acts 2:38 And Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the **forgiveness of your sins**, and **you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit**."

Ephesians 1:13 In him you also, when you **heard the word of truth**, the **gospel** of your salvation, and **believed in him**, were **sealed with the promised Holy Spirit**,

Ephesians 1:14 who is the **guarantee of our inheritance** until we **acquire possession of it, to the praise of his glory**.

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

1Corinthians 15:9 For I am the **least of the apostles**, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God.

Paul 56 A.D.

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Paul 61 A.D.

1Timothy 1:16 But for that very reason I was shown mercy so that in me, the **worst of sinners**, Christ Jesus might display his immense patience as an example for those who would believe in him and receive eternal life.

Paul 63 A.D.

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

Ezekiel 36:23 And **I will vindicate the holiness of my great name**, which has been **profaned among the nations**, and **which you have profaned among them**. And **the nations will know that I am the LORD**, declares the Lord GOD, **when through you I vindicate my holiness before their eyes**.

Ezekiel 36:24 I will **take you from the nations** and **gather you from all the countries** and bring you into your own land.

Ezekiel 36:25 I will **sprinkle clean water on you**, and you shall be clean from all **your uncleannesses**, and from all your idols **I will cleanse you**.

Ezekiel 36:26 And **I will give you a new heart**, and a **new spirit I will put within you**. And **I will remove the heart of stone** from your flesh and **give you a heart of flesh**.

Ezekiel 36:27 And **I will put my Spirit within you**, and **cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules**.

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Colossians 1:16 For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or **rulers or authorities**—all things were created through him and for him.

Colossians 2:13 And you, **who were dead in your trespasses** and the uncircumcision of your flesh, **God made alive together with him**, having **forgiven us all our trespasses**,

Colossians 2:14 by **canceling the record of debt** that stood against us with its **legal demands**. This **he set aside**, nailing it to the cross.

Colossians 2:15 **He disarmed the rulers and authorities** and **put them to open shame**, by **triumphing over them in him**.

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Because of my union with You Jesus, at Your cross
and Your death, when You died
[**You did not die for Your sins, for You were without sin**],
You died for **my sins** and **I died with You to my sins**,
to my Adamic nature, to my flesh, to this world,
to the evil one and his kingdom.
I have been **delivered from the domain of darkness**,
and **transferred to Your kingdom**;
I have been **set free from sin**.
I am no longer in the flesh but in the Spirit,
due to Your finished work on the cross.
Because I am **in Christ Jesus**,
there is now no condemnation for me.
Every claim being made against me is **cancelled**
and as a result **all of my accusers have been disarmed**.
Jesus, You took on flesh and blood,
and **through Your death** You **destroyed** (*rendered powerless*)
the one who has the **power of death**, that is, **the devil**.

Ephesians 3:12 in whom we have **boldness** and **access with confidence** through **our faith in him**.