

▼ **Demonstrating God's Wisdom**

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• **Read the Passage - Ephesians 3:1-11**

For this reason I, Paul, the prisoner of Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles — Surely you have heard about the administration of God's grace that was given to me for you, that is, the mystery made known to me by revelation, as I have already written briefly. In reading this, then, you will be able to understand my insight into the mystery of Christ, which was not made known to men in other generations as it has now been revealed by the Spirit to God's holy apostles and prophets. 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.

I became a servant of this gospel by the gift of God's grace given me through the working of his power. Although I am less than the least of all God's people, this grace was given me: to preach to the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ, and to make plain to everyone the administration of this mystery, which for ages past was kept hidden in God, who created all things. His intent was that now, through the church, the manifold wisdom of God should be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly realms, according to his eternal purpose which he accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord.

• **Read the Passage - 1Peter 1:10-12**

Concerning this salvation, the prophets, who spoke of the grace that was to come to you, searched intently and with the greatest care, trying to find out the time and circumstances to which the Spirit of Christ in them was pointing when he predicted the sufferings of Christ and the glories that would follow. It was revealed to them that they were not serving themselves but you, when they spoke of the things that have now been told you by those who have preached the gospel to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven. Even angels long to look into these things.

• **Remember God's Agenda: Demonstrating What It Looks Like When God Is King**

▼ **God Is Also Demonstrating His Wisdom Through The Church (i.e. Us)**

- Paul is a steward of God's grace for others.
- This grace involves the mystery that Gentiles are heirs together with Israel, members of one body, and sharers together in Jesus.
- This was always God's plan!
- If God's grace can join Jew and Gentile can together, it can join anyone else who believes in Jesus together as well.
- This demonstrates God's wisdom.
- Even angels want to check this out! - 1Peter 1:10-12