

THE MYSTERY

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I. What is it?

Romans 11:25; 1 Corinthians 2:7; 1 Corinthians 15:51-54; Ephesians 3:3-6; Colossians 1:27;
1 Timothy 3:16; Ephesians 5:32

The mystery of God is that Jesus Christ (God in the flesh) fulfilled the law, therefore glorifying God and condemning man. The Old Covenant was done away with by the rejection of Christ by the Jews. Therefore the New Covenant was established with a new people “the church.” That through the New Covenant the Gentile nation could partake in what was once promised to the Israelite nation. This being the Grace of God to the Gentiles, for them to be “fellowheirs” of the kingdom and have glorified bodies at the second coming of Christ.

The mystery can be summarized as “**If you are in Christ, then Christ (in the form of the Spirit) is in you.**”

II. When was it established?

Matthew 13:35; Romans 16:25; 1 Corinthians 2:7,12; 1 Corinthians 14:2; Ephesians 3:5; Ephesians 3:9; Colossians 1:27; Revelations 10:7

The mystery of God was established before the world began. It was kept hidden during the Old Testament age. Now that Christ has come the mystery is revealed to man by the Spirit of God. When the Trumpet shall sound at the second coming of Christ the mystery of God shall be finished.

III. To whom is it revealed?

Job 15:8; Psalm 25:14; Proverbs 3:37; Daniel 2:19; Amos 3:7; Matthew 13:35; Luke 8:9-10;
1 Corinthians 13:2; Ephesians 1:4; Ephesians 3:5; Colossians 2:1,2; Colossians 1:26 (Select Passages)

The mystery of God has been revealed to the covenanted Men of God (the Church) by the Spirit of God. These men now reveal the mystery to other men by the scriptures and is confirmed by the Spirit of God. It is revealed to these men by the Spirit of God, who has given them the “mind of Christ” or “wisdom of God.”