



Ephesians 3
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Introduction:

In Ephesians 3, Paul explains the mystery of Jesus: Jesus was hidden for ages, the Holy Spirit steps into the picture, Jesus comes to earth, and Paul is given the authority to explain it all. Paul prays for the power and love of the Holy Spirit to dwell in the hearts of the Ephesians.

Key Scriptures for study:

Ephesians 3:3-4 *“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 in to the mystery of Christ.”*

1. What does the word “mystery” mean to you?
2. What is the “mystery” to which Paul refers in vs. 3:3?
3. Is it still a mystery after Paul explains the situation? Why or why not?

Ephesians 3:16-18 *“I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the Lord’s people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ”*

1. Paul prayed that the Ephesians would be strong inwardly through Christ’s spirit. Describe a person that would fit Paul’s description.
2. How do you know God’s power is working through you?
3. Describe some ways Jesus showed love or compassion during his earthly ministry.
4. Share a time you felt touched by the love of Jesus.
5. How might you be able to live your life so that you might be able to experience the love of Jesus?
6. What is one thing you could do to share that love with someone else?

Close in Prayer