

Sermon-Based Discussion

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BIBLE PASSAGES

Ephesians 3:1-7

The Mystery of the Gospel Revealed

1For this reason I, Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus on behalf of you Gentiles—
2assuming that you have heard of the stewardship of God's grace that was given to me for you, **3**how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I have written briefly. **4**When you read this, you can perceive my insight into the mystery of Christ, **5**which was not made known to the sons of men in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit. **6**This mystery is^a that the Gentiles are fellow heirs, members of the same body, and partakers of the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

7Of this gospel I was made a minister according to the gift of God's grace, which was given me by the working of his power.

Group Discussion & Life Challenge

Use these notes as discussion prompts for your group, or in your personal time with God.

Connect:

Get to know each other. Connect, warm up to each other, fellowship.

Care:

Carry each other's burdens. Share life's challenges and practice Soul Care. Pray together.

Challenge:

Dive into God's Word. Use these discussion questions. Learn from each other's insight.

- 1. Share about a time when you needed to go above and beyond the normal standards to prove yourself, even if unfairly treated in this process.**
- 2. When have you been included in something you didn't deserve? Perhaps on a trip, or in a club as a student? How did it feel to have been given a place to belong?**
- 3. Discuss a time when you felt you used your giftings well.**
- 4. How are we carrying on this mission for Paul to "make this mystery known" from Ephesians 3:6?**
- 5. Are there things God is calling you to be faithful to right now? What is holding you back from stepping into that? Is that something the group can join you in prayer about?**

Clarify:

Does anyone need clarity on something? Are there any big God questions you are wrestling with?

Celebrate:

Celebrate life's successes and God's provision. Worship God's presence. Time to brag about God.

KEY TAKEAWAYS