

## Repeated Words, Themes, and Ideas

1. Jesus Christ, Paul sees himself not as a prisoner of Rome, but Christ Jesus, 3:1. When the Ephesians read chapters 1-2, they'll understand Paul's knowledge of the mystery of Christ, 3:3-4. Gentiles get to be fellow heirs, part of Christ's Body and partakers of God's promise because of their position in Christ, 3:6. The grace God gave to Paul is to preach the unsearchable riches of Christ to the Gentiles, 3:8. God created all things through Jesus Christ, 3:9. Everything related to the mystery, the Gentiles' role in the church, was accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord, 3:9-11. In Christ we have boldness and access with confidence [to everything God has for us] if we trust in Christ, 3:12. God is the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, 3:14. Paul prays that Christ would dwell in each Ephesian's heart through their faith in Him, 3:17. The reason Paul wants Christ to dwell in them is so that they would understand Christ's love four-dimensionally, 3:17-19. The glory we're to give God the Father in the church forever and ever is by means of Christ Jesus, 3:21 (other places this appears: 1:1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10, 11-12, 13, 15, 17, 20-21, 22-23; 2:5, 6, 7, 10, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19-20, 21, 22).
2. Jews / Gentiles, Paul is a prisoner of Christ on behalf of Gentiles, 3:1. The mystery of Christ is that Gentiles would be fellow heirs, part of Christ's Body, and partakers of God's promise in Christ, 3:4-6. The grace that God gave to Paul is to preach the unsearchable riches of Christ to the Gentiles, 3:8 (other places this appears: 1:3-14; 2:1-3, 4-10, 11-13, 14-18, 19-22).
3. God's grace, the Ephesians have likely heard of the grace God gave to Paul as the apostle to the Gentiles, 3:2. Paul became a minister—according to the gift of God's grace—of the mystery that Gentiles would partake intimately of Christ, 3:6-7. The grace given to Paul was that he would preach to the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ, 3:8 (other places this appears: 1:2, 3-6, 6, 7; 2:4-6, 7, 8-9).
4. God, the Ephesians have likely heard of the grace God gave to Paul as apostle to the Gentiles, 3:2. Paul became a minister of the mystery concerning the Gentiles' intimate access to Christ according to the gift of God's grace, 3:6-7. The mystery [concerning the Gentiles' access to Christ] was hidden in God from the beginning of time, 3:9. Revealing the mystery concerning the Gentiles' role in the church would make God's manifold wisdom known by means of the church to Satan and his minions, 3:9-10. Revealing God's manifold wisdom to Satan and his minions through the church was according to the eternal purpose which God accomplished in Christ Jesus, 3:11. In light of everything God's done for Jews and Gentiles in Christ, Paul bows his knees in prayer to God the Father, 3:14. Paul wants the Ephesians to know the unknowable love of Christ so that they would be filled with all the fullness of God, 3:19. Since God is able to do beyond anything we can ask or imagine, all our glory should go to Him forever and ever, 3:20-21 (other places this appears: 1:1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7-8, 9, 10, 11, 11-12, 14, 17, 18, 19, 20-21, 22-23; 2:4-7, 8, 10, 12, 16, 18, 19, 22).
5. Mystery, God made the mystery of Christ known to Paul by personal revelation, 3:3. If the Ephesians read chapters 1-2, they will understand Paul's knowledge of the mystery of Christ, 3:4. The mystery of Christ was not previously revealed to anyone, 3:5. The mystery is that Gentiles would have intimate access to everything Christ is and has, 3:6. Paul was appointed by God to reveal to everyone the mystery plan which until now has been hidden in God, 3:9 (other places this appears: 1:9; 2:1-22).

6. In Christ / in Him, the mystery is that Gentiles would be in Christ, i.e., they'd be fellow heirs, part of Christ's Body, and partakers of God's promise in Christ, 3:6. In Christ Jesus God accomplished everything related to the mystery, 3:9-11. In Christ we have boldness and access with confidence [to everything God has for us] if we trust in Jesus, 3:12. Paul wants God to strengthen each Ephesian's inner man so that Christ will dwell in their hearts enabling them to experience Christ's love four-dimensionally leaving them filled with all the fullness of God, 3:16-19 (other places this appears: 1:1, 3, 4, 6, 7, 10, 11, 12, 13; 2:5, 6, 7, 10, 13, 15, 16, 21, 22).
7. Wisdom / Knowledge / Understanding, if the Ephesians read chapters 1-2, they will understand Paul's knowledge of the mystery of Christ, 3:3-4. Paul wants Christ to dwell in each Ephesian's heart so that they will be able to know Christ's love four-dimensionally leaving them filled with all the fullness of God, 3:17-19 (other places this appears: 1:7-8, 17, 18).
8. Holy Spirit, the Holy Spirit did not reveal the mystery of Christ to anyone until now (i.e., the time of Paul) 3:5. Paul wants God the Father to strengthen each Ephesian's inner man through His Holy Spirit, 3:16 (other places this appears: 1:13, 17; 2:18, 22).
9. Apostles / Prophets, the Holy Spirit has now revealed the mystery of Christ to His holy apostles and prophets, something which was previously unknown, 3:4-5 (other places this appears: 2:20).
10. Inheritance, part of the mystery of Christ is that Gentiles would be fellow heirs in Christ, 3:6 (other places this appears: 1:11, 13-14, 18).
11. Church / Body / New Man, part of the mystery of Christ is that Gentiles would be part of Christ's Body, 3:6. The manifold wisdom of God will be revealed by the church (i.e., its creation) to Satan and his minions, 3:10. The family of the church gets its name from God the Father, 3:14-15. The glory of the church should go to God the Father forever and ever, 3:21 (other places this appears: 1:22, 23; 2:4-10, 15, 16, 14-22).
12. God blessed us repeatedly in His Son, because of our position in Christ we become fellow heirs with Christ, part of His Body, and partakers of God's promise in Christ, 3:6. Because we're part of Christ, God's Spirit strengthens our inner man so that Christ may dwell in our hearts and enable us to experience Christ's love four-dimensionally leaving us filled with all the fullness of God, 3:16-19 (other places this appears: 1:4, 5, 7, 8-11, 17-18, 19; 2:4-6, 8-9, 1-2, 10).
13. Because we are united forever with Jesus, everything He is, we are; everything He has we have, we are fellow heirs with Him, part of His Body, and partakers with Him of God's promise in Christ, 3:6. He has boldness, we have boldness; He has access with confidence to God, we have access with confidence to God, 3:12. God is Jesus' Father; He is our Father, 3:14. God strengthens Christ through His Spirit; He'll strengthen us through His Spirit, 3:16. Jesus knows the love of God four-dimensionally and thus is filled with the fullness of God; we can know the love of God four-dimensionally and be filled with God's fullness, 3:17-19 (other places this appears: 1:5, 7, 10, 21-22, 11, 19-22; 2:5-6, 10, 18, 19, 21-22).
14. Gospel, we get to be fellow heirs with Christ, part of His Body, and partakers of God's promise in Christ through the gospel, 3:6. The goodnews is that because of our never-ending union with Christ, we have boldness to face life, confident access to God our Father, God's Spirit will strengthen our inner being enabling us to experience Christ's love four-dimensionally thus leaving us completely filled with God, 3:12-19 (other places this appears: 1:1-23; 2:1-22)

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15. Power / Might, God's power enabled Paul to do the ministry God gave him: preach to the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ, 3:7-8. Paul wants God the Father to use His mighty power to strengthen every Ephesian's inner man, 3:16. Our glory should go to God the Father who is able to do beyond what we can ask or imagine according to His power that works in us, 3:20-21 (other places this appears: 1:19, 21; 2:2).
16. Saints, Paul saw himself as the less-than-the-least of all the saints, 3:8. Paul wants the Ephesians to be able to experience Christ's love four-dimensionally with all the saints, 3:18-19 (other places this appears: 1:1, 15-16, 18; 2:19).
17. Riches, Paul's ministry was to preach the unsearchable riches of Christ to the Gentiles, 3:8. Paul wants God the Father to strengthen each Ephesian's inner man according to His glorious riches, 3:16 (other places this appears: 1:7, 18; 2:7).
18. Satan / Principalities, God's manifold wisdom is made known to the principalities and powers in the heavenly places by the church, i.e., its creation, 3:10 (other places this appears: 1:21; 2:2).
19. Faith / Believe, in Jesus we have boldness and confident access to God the Father if we trust in Him, 3:12. Christ will dwell in the Ephesians' hearts if they believe, 3:17 (other places this appears: 1:12, 13, 15, 19; 2:8).
20. Glory, Paul doesn't want the Ephesians to lose heart over his sufferings for them because his sufferings are to their glory (benefit), 3:13. Paul wants God to strengthen each Ephesian's inner being according to His glorious riches, 3:16. The glory of the church rightly belongs to God the Father forever and ever, 3:21 (other places this appears: 1:3-6, 12, 13-14, 17, 18).
21. Inner Man, Paul wants God the Father to strengthen each Ephesian's inner being so that Christ would dwell in their hearts and they would be able to experience Christ's love four-dimensionally leaving them absolutely filled with God, 3:16-19 (other places this appears: 1:7, 15, 17-19; 2:2-3, 8-9, 13, 18, 19, 21-22).
22. Love, the Ephesians have been rooted and grounded in God's love, 3:17. Paul wants the Ephesians to be able to experience Christ's love four-dimensionally, 3:18-19 (other places this appears: 1:4, 15; 2:4-5).
23. Fullness / Filled, the ultimate goal of Paul's prayer that God would strengthen each Ephesian's inner man is that they can experience Christ's love fully so that they will be completely and absolutely filled with God, 3:16-19 (other places this appears: 1:10, 23).