

Ephesians Chapter 3

The Church's Responsibility—Make Known the Wisdom of God

Read Ephesians Chapter 3 from the Bible

Ephesians 2:20-22 ²⁰having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief *cornerstone*, ²¹in whom the whole building, being fitted together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord, ²²in whom you also are being built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit.

1 Corinthians 6:19 Or do you not know that your body [not *bodies*] is the temple of the Holy Spirit who *is* in you, whom you have from God, and you are not your own?

Ephesians 3:1 For this reason I, Paul, the prisoner of Christ Jesus for you Gentiles—

Ephesians 3:2 if indeed you have heard of the dispensation of the grace of God which was given to me for you,

Dispensation: (Example 1:) The stewardship given to Paul “to fulfill the Word of God:”

Colossians 1:24b-26 ^{24b}for the sake of His body, ²⁵which is the church, of which I became a minister according to the stewardship [dispensation] from God which was given to me for you, to fulfill the word of God, ²⁶the mystery which has been hidden from ages and from generations, but now has been revealed to His saints.

Dispensation: (Example 2:) The *stewardship* given to Paul the apostle “that the Gentiles should be fellow heirs...and partakers of His promise in Christ through the gospel.”

Ephesians 3:3-7 ³how that by revelation He made known to me the mystery (as I have briefly written already, ⁴by which, when you read, you may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ), ⁵which in other ages was not made known to the sons of men, as it has now been revealed by the Spirit to His holy apostles and prophets: ⁶that the Gentiles should be fellow heirs, of the same body, and partakers of His promise in Christ through the gospel, ⁷of which I became a minister according to the gift of the grace of God given to me by the effective working of His power.

Ephesians 3:8 To me, who am less than the least of all the saints, this grace was given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ,

Ephesians 3:9 and to make all see what *is* the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the ages has been hidden in God who created all things through Jesus Christ;

Ephesians 3:10-12 ¹⁰to the intent that now the manifold wisdom of God might be made known by the church to the principalities and powers in the heavenly *places*, ¹¹according to the eternal purpose which He accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord, ¹²in whom we have boldness and access with confidence through faith in Him.

Ephesians 3:13 Therefore I ask that you do not lose heart at my tribulations for you, which is your glory.

Ephesians 3:14-19 ¹⁴For this reason I bow my knees to the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁵from whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named, ¹⁶that He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with might through His Spirit in the inner man, ¹⁷that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith [trust Him]; that you being rooted and grounded in love, ¹⁸may be able to comprehend with all the saints what *is* the width and length and depth and height— ¹⁹to know the love of Christ which passes knowledge; that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Romans 8:35a Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?

Philippians 4:7 and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus

Ephesians 1:22b-23 ^{22b}the church, ²³which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills all in all.

Romans 8:34b *It is* Christ who died, and furthermore is also risen, who is even at the right hand of God, who also makes intercession for us.

Hebrews 2:11 For both He who sanctifies and those who are being sanctified are all of one, for which reason He *is* not ashamed to call them brethren.

1 John 5:14 Now this is the confidence that we have in Him, that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us.

Romans 8:27 Now He who searches the hearts knows what the mind of the Spirit is, because He makes intercession for the saints according to the will of God.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 ¹⁶Rejoice always, ¹⁷pray without ceasing, ¹⁸in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

Philippians 4:5 Let your gentleness be known to all men. The Lord *is* at hand.

Philippians 4:6-7 ⁶Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be known to God; ⁷and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

Ephesians 3:20-21 ²⁰Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us, ²¹to Him *be* glory in the church by Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.