

LESSON 7
THE MYSTERY
EPHESIANS 3:1-13

I. The introduction (3:1)

- Paul points them to what _____.
- Paul refers to himself as a _____ for their sake.

II. The mystery (3:2-6)

A. The dispensation of God's grace (3:2)

- Dispensation means _____.
- Paul tells them that the _____ was given to him.

B. The revelation of the mystery (3:3-5)

1. Who revealed the mystery (3:3)

- God revealed to Paul _____.

2. Their understanding (3:4)

- The Ephesians would understand that Paul had _____.

3. Who was it revealed to (3:5)

- It was hidden from the _____.
- It is revealed now through _____.

C. The constitution of the mystery (3:6)

1. Fellow heirs

- Gentile believers are now _____.

2. Same body

- Both are _____.

3. Partakers of the promise

- Both have a _____.

Scripture Reading: Ephesians 2:12

III. The ministry of the mystery (3:7-12)

A. The placement into the ministry (3:7-8a)

- He became a minister because of _____.

B. The performance of the ministry (3:8b-9)

- He was to reveal the mystery of God's grace to _____.

C. The purpose of the ministry (3:10-12)

- The purpose was that _____ might be made known.

IV. Paul's injunction (3:13)

- Paul encourages them not _____.