

Ephesians 3:1–13

1. For this reason I, Paul, am the prisoner of Christ Jesus on behalf of you Gentiles.
2. now you've heard of the plan of God's grace that was given to me for you,
3. that by revelation **the mystery** was made known to me,
just as I have briefly written above.
4. by which you are able to understand
my insight into **the mystery** of Christ,
5. which in other generations was not made known to humanity
as now it has been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit.
6. That the Gentiles are **heirs together**, and **sharers together of a body**, and **sharers together of the promise**
in Christ Jesus through the gospel.
7. of which I was made a servant
according to the gift of God's grace, which was given to me
according to the working of his power.
8. To me, the very least of all the holy ones, this grace was given,
to preach to the Gentiles the unfathomable riches of Christ,
9. and to enlighten everyone as to what is the plan of **the mystery**
hidden through the ages in God, who created all things,
so as to make known now to the rulers and the authorities in the
heavenly places through the church:
10. **the manifold wisdom of God,**¹¹ **according to the purpose of the ages**
which he accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord,
11. in whom we have boldness and access with confidence through
faith in him.
12. So then I employ you not to lose heart over my sufferings on your behalf, for they are your glory.