

Lesson 2: Christ According to Mystery

Introduction:

- God's eternal purpose in Christ
- Christ according to prophecy
 - The creation of heaven and earth
 - Special attention and focus on dominion in the earth
 - Sin and death entering into the realm of the earth
 - God in Christ reconciled purpose of dominion on the earth
 - Israel

Preview:

- Christ according to mystery
 - The Bible contains the revelation of Jesus Christ (have a book of the Bible titled so), but when we examine "progressive revelation" the bit-by-bit revelation of Jesus Christ there was something that God reserved and hid in Himself about Christ that He did not reveal prior to the Apostle Paul.

Sermon:

- **Ephesians 3:8-12**
 - The creation of all things (heavenly and earthly government)
 - Special attention and focus on dominion in the heavenlies
 - Sin and death entered into that realm prior to the earth
 - **Ezekiel 28:11-19**
 - God in Christ reconciling purpose of dominion in heaven
- Unsearchable Riches of Christ
 - Not justification by faith
 - Not new heaven and earth
 - Not Christ's pending reign on the earth
 - Christ power and authority to reconcile the heavenly places
- The Fellowship of the Mystery of Christ
 - Head of All Things
 - **Eph. 1:7-11**
 - **Eph. 1:19-23**
 - **Col. 1:16-20**

Conclusion:

- Christ according to the revelation of prophecy and the mystery declare to us the total

reconciliation of Christ's dominion in heaven and earth.

- The revelation of Jesus Christ sets forth specific detail of God's eternal purpose in Christ
- With the groundwork accomplished in Lessons 1 and this Lesson we will begin to examine "the course", "the counsel of His will" as He went about, is going about, and will bring about His eternal purpose in Christ.
- We will explore the specific steps in accomplishing His purpose and look at the final results of His eternal purpose in Christ.
- Doing so will provide us reason to live, direction and instruction to follow, an unfading hope to glory, and an inheritance to partake.