

Lesson 3: Mystery (But Now)

Introduction:

- We have examined the necessity for "rightly dividing the word of truth" for there has been things that have changed and have been progressively revealed throughout God's dealings with man.
 - We have seen many so-called contradictions that result primarily from God's dealings with Israel to that of God's dealings with the body of Christ.

Issue	IP	PE
Dietary Commands	Gen. 1:29, 9:3; Lev. 11:1-8	1 Tim. 4:1-5
Miraculous Provision	Matt. 6:25, 31-33, 10:9-15; Acts 4:32-35	1 The. 4:11-12; 2 The. 3:7-12
Baptism	Matt. 3:11-12; Jn. 1:33	1 Cor. 1:17
Circumcision	Gen. 17:9-14; Jn. 7:21-23	Gal. 5:1-3, 6
Sabbath Day(s)	Lev. 23:1 (Holy Days - Feasts) v. 3 sabbath v. 10-11 firstfruits v. 15-16 pentecost v. 24 trumpets v. 26 atonement v. 37 tabernacles	Gal. 4:1-7; Col. 2:16-17
Laws Function	Moses; Matt. 23:1-4; Gal. 4; Jn. 7:21-23	Rom. 6:14; Eph. 2; Col. 2; 1 Tim. 1
2nd Coming	After trib. - Matt. 24; Jas. 5:8; Ps. 68; Zech. 14:1-5; Isa. 3:11; Isa. 31:4-5, 42:13-15, 66:15-16 (Rev. 6:2, 19:11) Saints go thru it - Matt. 24 Return to Mt. of Olives - Zech. 14:1-5; Matt. 24:3; Acts 1	1 The. 4:13-5:11;

- Prophecy and Mystery
 - Circumcision and Uncircumcision
 - Christ sent to the lost sheep of the house of Israel
 - Matt. 15
 - God's kingdom with Israel on the earth

Preview:

- More of the framework of why there are these distinctions
 - Prophecy
 - Circumcision and Uncircumcision
 - Shared spiritual things of the new testament through Israel's rise
 - Kingdom on Earth

- Mystery
 - Shared spiritual things of the new testament through Israel's fall
 - God's kingdom with the body of Christ in the heavenly places

Sermon: Prophecy

- "spoken by the mouth of all His holy prophets since the world began" (Acts 3)
 - **The 12 Apostles**
 - Luke 22:30
 - Deut. 32:8
 - **Circumcision (Israel)**
 - Genesis 12:1-3 - great nation, earth
 - Deut. 28:13, 44
 - **Kingdom on Earth**
 - 2 Samuel 7:12-13, 16 - kingdom, throne
 - Psalm 104:3 - beams of His chambers
 - Isaiah 9:6-7 - kingdom, government, throne
 - Daniel 2:44 - God of heaven, kingdom, in those days
 - Luke 1:67-75 - prophecy, Abraham, saved from enemies
 - The Gospel of the Kingdom of Heaven
 - Matt. 6:10
 - Matt. 24:3; Zech. 14; Acts 1:9-11
 - Romans 15:8 - for the truth of God, to confirm the promises made unto the fathers

Mystery

- "hid in God since the world began" (Rom. 16, Eph. 3)
 - **Paul**
 - Not the 12, separated from the 12 (Rom. 1:1)
 - For the one new man the church the body of Christ
 - **Uncircumcision share in their spiritual things**
 - Romans 11:11-15, 16-24, 25 - salvation to the Gentiles, unbelieving Israel broken off, mystery
 - Romans 15:27 - partaker of their spiritual things
 - Galatians 5:2, 6, 6:15,
 - Galatians 3:28
 - Eph. 2:14-17
 - Col. 3:10-11
 - **God's kingdom with the body of Christ in the heavenly places**
 - Eph. 1:3
 - Eph. 2:6
 - Eph. 3:8-12

- Reconcile the heavenly places
 - Isa. 14
 - Gen. 14
 - Gen. 1 - earth was without form and void
- Eph. 3:1-3
 - The dispensation of the grace of God (but now)
 - Grace known in the OT
 - Never prophesied to have a dispensation of it
 - In this dispensation He made manifest what was witnessed in the OT concerning Christ's death, burial, and resurrection
 - In this dispensation He is making manifest the body of Christ's role in God's eternal purpose
 - In this dispensation He is making manifest the fellowship of the mystery as it relates to the dispensation of the fulness of times

Conclusion:

- Prophecy Fulfilled