

Lesson 2: Prophecy Proclaimed (Time Past)

Introduction:

- In the first lesson we saw the necessity for "rightly dividing the word of truth".
 - There are these contrasts in God's Word. Contrasts in "dietary commands", "miracles", "baptism", "circumcision", "sabbath days", "the law", and "the second coming of Christ" - yet how are we to think and handle those contrasts.
 - Rightly dividing the word of truth
 - We noticed that all those contrasted were distinguished by something that God spoke to Israel was different than the apostle Paul.

Preview:

- We are going to see there are differences between what God spoke to Israel from that which was spoken by the apostle Paul.
- We will get a better understanding of how we are to understand that scripture by rightly dividing the word of truth and where those right divisions are to be made.
- Prophecy and Mystery
 - Time Past, But Now

Sermon:

Prophecy and Mystery

- **Prophecy**
 - Acts 3:19-21 - "...which God hath spoken by the mouth of all His holy prophets since the world began."
 - Luke 1:67-70, 71-79
- **Mystery**
 - Romans 16:25-27
 - Ephesians 3:1-12
- Ephesians 2:11-18
 - "time past"
 - "but now"
 - Time Past
 - Kingdom through Israel
 - :11-12 - uncircumcision
 - Gentiles "without Christ"
 - "aliens from the commonwealth of Israel"
 - "strangers from the covenants of promise"
 - "having no hope"
 - "without God in the world"

- Romans 15 - Christ to the circumcision
 - Gentiles through Israel's rise
- Matt. 10 - not to Gentiles
- Matt. 15 - Gentiles through Israel
 - Roman Centurion - bless Israel

Conclusion:

- Next time we will go through the dispensation of the grace of God and the mystery of Christ