

NOTES: Wonderfully Complicated | The Mystery of the Gospel

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The Gospel means Good News

“The secret things belong to the LORD our God, but the things revealed belong to us and to our children forever, that we may follow all the words of this law.” (Deuteronomy 29:29, NIV)

Embracing God’s Mysteries with Faith and Trust – Can be complicated

- Mysteries of God by faith: The mystery of supernatural revelation
- The Mysteries of healing
- The Mystery of Water Baptism and Communion
- The mystery of Trinity
- Mystery of the Moving of the Spirit
- Mystery of Pentecost and filling
- Mystery of Gifts
- Mystery of Prayer

The Mystery the Gospel

“Now to him who is able to establish you in accordance with my gospel, the message I proclaim about Jesus Christ, in keeping with the revelation of the mystery hidden for long ages past, but now revealed and made known through the prophetic writings by the command of the eternal God, so that all the Gentiles might come to the obedience that comes from faith—to the only wise God be glory forever through Jesus Christ! Amen.” (Romans 16:25–27, NIV)

Gospel Means Good News, the plan of salvation by God, by sending Jesus Christ, a perfect sacrifice to atone or pay for our sins, taking the punishment in our place, so we can be forgiven, redeemed, saved, enter into the Kingdom of God, and follow Christ, throughout eternity.

“For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures,” (1 Corinthians 15:3–4, NIV)

1 Corinthians 2.1-5

- Jesus Christ and Him crucified is the Gospel.
- The Spirit is at work, when Jesus is central

1 Corinthians 2.6-8 NIV

- The wisdom of our time will not save you. It is not the Gospel
- God's wisdom is a mystery
- The plan of God for Jesus was not understood.

"For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written: 'I will destroy the wisdom of the wise; the intelligence of the intelligent I will frustrate.' Where is the wise person? Where is the teacher of the law? Where is the philosopher of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world?" (1 Corinthians 1:18–20, NIV)

1 Corinthians 2.9-11

- **The Spirit in us teaches us what no human can teach us.**
- **We receive "revelation" by the Spirit**
- **Jesus sent the Spirit to live in us**

"And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever—the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you." (John 14:16–17, NIV)

"When he comes, he will prove the world to be in the wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment:" (John 16:8, NIV)

1 Corinthians 2.12-13

- The spirit of the World-greed, lust, self, sin
- The Spirit of God, Reveals things given to us by God
- So we "know" that
- He Teaches us "Leads and guides us into all Truth", draws us, convicts us.

1 Corinthians 2. 14-16

- Without salvation and the Spirit of God, spiritual truth is not revealed.
- We cannot comprehend, accept, receive or know. It's foolishness
- But, we have discernment when the Spirit lives in us
 - And we walk in the Spirit!

"If you declare with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord,' and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved." (Romans 10:9–10, NIV)