

Colossians Series

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A landscape photograph showing a range of mountains in the background, some with snow. In the middle ground, there are several hills and a line of trees, possibly an orchard. The foreground is a field of dry, brown grass. The sky is a clear, pale blue.

COLOSSIANS: Jesus Christ is All-Sufficient

**The Mystery Doctrine:
The Privileges of the
Church Age Believer**

Colossians 1:25

Col. 1:25, “Of this church I was made a minister according to the stewardship from God bestowed on me for your benefit, so that I might fully carry out the preaching of the word of God,

Col. 1:26, “the mystery which has been hidden from ages and from generations, but now has been revealed to His saints.”

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**μυστήριον (*mystērion*),
mystery, secret**

1 Cor. 4:1, “Let a man so consider us, as servants of Christ and stewards of the mysteries of God.

1 Cor. 4:2, “Moreover it is required in stewards that one be found faithful.”

**ὑπηρέτης (*hypēretēs*),
servant, helper, assistant;
close synonym to *diakonos***

Rom. 11:25, “For I do not desire, brethren, that you should be ignorant of this mystery, lest you should be wise in your own opinion, that blindness in part has happened to Israel until the fullness of the Gentiles has come in.”

1 Cor. 4:1, “Let a man so consider us, as servants of Christ and stewards of the mysteries of God.”

Eph. 3:3, “how that by revelation He made known to me the mystery (as I have briefly written already,

Eph. 3:4, “by which, when you read, you may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ),”

Eph. 3:9, “and to make all see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the ages has been hidden in God who created all things through Jesus Christ;”

Col. 2:2, “that their hearts may be encouraged, being knit together in love, and attaining to all riches of the full assurance of understanding, to the knowledge of the mystery of God, both of the Father and of Christ,”

Col. 4:3, “meanwhile praying also for us, that God would open to us a door for the word, to speak the mystery of Christ, for which I am also in chains,”

Col. 1:27, “to whom God willed to make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.”

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**ἐν τοῖς ἔθνεσιν
en tois ethnesin**

**ἐν ὑμῖν,
en humin**

Rom. 11:25, “For I do not desire, brethren, that you should be ignorant of this mystery, lest you should be wise in your own opinion, that blindness in part has happened to Israel until the fullness of the Gentiles has come in.

Rom. 11:26, “And so all Israel will be saved, as it is written: ‘The Deliverer will come out of Zion, and He will turn away ungodliness from Jacob;’ ”

Rom. 16:25, “Now to Him who is able to establish you according to my gospel and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery kept secret since the world began

Rom. 16:26, “but now made manifest, and by the prophetic Scriptures made known to all nations, according to the commandment of the everlasting God, for obedience to the faith—”

Eph. 3:1, “For this reason I, Paul, the prisoner of Christ Jesus for you Gentiles—

Eph. 3:2, “if indeed you have heard of the dispensation of the grace of God which was given to me for you,

Eph. 3:3, “how that by revelation He made known to me the mystery (as I have briefly written already,”

Eph. 3:4, “by which, when you read, you may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ),

Eph. 3:5, “which in other ages was not made known to the sons of men, as it has now been revealed [ἀποκαλύπτω *apokaluptō*] by the Spirit to His holy apostles and prophets:

Eph. 3:6, “that the Gentiles should be fellow heirs, of the same body, and partakers of His promise in Christ through the gospel,”

Col. 3:4, “When Christ who is our life appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory.”

Col. 3:24, “knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward of the inheritance; for you serve the Lord Christ.”

John 14:23, “Jesus answered and said to him, ‘If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word; and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our home with him.’ ”

Rom. 8:10, “And if Christ is in you, the body is dead because of sin, but the Spirit is life because of righteousness.”

Gal. 2:20, “I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.”

Col. 1:28, “We proclaim Him, admonishing every man and teaching every man with all wisdom, so that we may present every man complete in Christ.”

Col. 1:29, “For this purpose also I labor, striving according to His power, which mightily works within me.”