

## Message One

### **The Gospel of God—the Totality of the Divine Truths, the Fulfillment of the Old Testament, and the Proclamation of Jesus Christ according to the Revelation of the Mystery**

#### Scripture Reading:

- Mark 1:1 The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God,  
Mark 1:14 And after John was delivered up, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God,  
Mark 1:15 And saying, The time is fulfilled and the kingdom of God has drawn near. Repent and believe in the gospel.  
Eph. 1:13 In whom you also, having heard the word of the truth, the gospel of your salvation, in Him also believing, you were sealed with the Holy Spirit of the promise,  
Col. 1:5 Because of the hope laid up for you in the heavens, of which you heard before in the word<sup>a</sup> of the truth<sup>h</sup> of the gospel,  
Mat 17:2 And He was transfigured before them, and His face shone like the sun, and His garments became as white as the light.  
Mat 17:3 And behold, Moses and Elijah appeared to them, conversing with Him.  
Mat 17:4 And Peter answered and said to Jesus, Lord, it is good for us to be here; if You are willing, I will make three tents here, one for You and one for Moses and one for Elijah.  
Mat 17:5 While he was still speaking, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and behold, a voice out of the cloud, saying, This is My Son, the Beloved, in whom I have found My delight. Hear Him!  
Mat 17:6 And when the disciples heard this, they fell on their face and were greatly frightened.  
Mat 17:7 And Jesus came to them and touched them and said, Arise, and do not be afraid.  
Mat 17:8 And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one except Jesus Himself alone.  
Rom 10:4 For Christ is the end of the law unto righteousness to everyone who believes.  
Rom. 16:25 Now to Him who is able to establish you according to my gospel, that is, the proclamation of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery, which has been kept in silence in the times of the ages.

#### **I. Most Christians have a limited, superficial, and mistaken view concerning the gospel, and they preach a gospel that is low and superficial; this should not be the situation in the Lord's recovery—John 3:16; 8:32; 14:6;17:17; 18:37; Eph. 3:8; 1 Tim. 2:4.**

- John 3:16 For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that every one who believes into Him would not perish, but would have eternal life.  
John 8:32 And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall set you free.  
John 14:6 Jesus said to him, I am the way and the reality and the life; no one comes to the Father except through Me.  
John 17:17 Sanctify them in<sup>l</sup> the truth; Your word is truth.  
John 18:37 Pilate said therefore to Him, So then You are a king? Jesus answered, You say that I am a king. For this I have been born, and for this I have come into the world, that I would testify to the truth. Every one who is of the truth hears My voice.  
Eph. 3:8 To me, less than the least of all saints, was this grace given to announce to the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ as the gospel  
Tim. 2:4 Who desires all men to be saved and to come to the full knowledge of the truth.

#### **II. The gospel is “veiled in those who are perishing”—2 Cor. 4:3-4:**

- 2 Cor 4:3 And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled in those who are perishing,  
2 Cor 4:4 In whom the god of this age has blinded the thoughts of the unbelievers that the illumination of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God, might not shine on them.  
A. In principle, anything such as philosophy, religion, or cultural traditions that hinders people from apprehending the gospel of Christ is a veil—3:14-15.  
2 Cor. 3:14 But their thoughts were hardened; for until the present day the same veil remains at the reading of the old covenant, it not being unveiled to them that the veil is being done away with in Christ.  
2 Cor. 3:15 Indeed unto this day, whenever Moses is read, a veil lies on their heart;

B. On Mount Zion God “will swallow up / The covering that covers up all the peoples, / Even the veil that veils all the nations”—Isa. 25:7:

Isa 25:7 And on this mountain He will swallow up The covering that covers up all the peoples, Even the veil that veils the nations.

1. Today the people on earth are covered with a veil that keeps them from seeing God’s economy—2 Cor. 3:15; 4:3-4; 1 Tim. 1:4.

2 Cor. 3:15 Indeed unto this day, whenever Moses is read, a veil lies on their heart;

2 Cor. 4:3 And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled in those who are perishing.

2 Cor. 4:4 In whom the god of this age has blinded the thoughts of the unbelievers that the illumination of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God, might not shine on them.

1 Tim 1:4 Nor to give heed to myths and unending genealogies, which produce questionings rather than God’s economy, which is in faith

2. In the restoration God will take away this covering; then all the people will see something concerning God’s eternal economy—Eph. 3:9; 2 Cor. 3:16.

Eph 3:9 And to enlighten all that they may see what the economy of the mystery is, which throughout the ages has been hidden in God, who created all things,

2 Cor 3:16 But whenever their heart turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away.

**III. The gospel of God is the totality of the divine truths—Eph. 1:13; Col. 1:5:**

Eph 1:13 In whom you also, having heard the word of the truth, the gospel of your salvation, in Him also believing, you were sealed with the Holy Spirit of the promise,

Col 1:5 Because of the hope laid up for you in the heavens, of which you heard before in the word of the truth of the gospel,

A. The truth is the gospel, and our preaching of the truth is the preaching of the gospel—Eph. 1:13; 1 Tim. 2:4, 7.

1 Tim 2:4 Who desires all men to be saved and to come to the full knowledge of the truth.

1 Tim 2:7 For which I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I speak the truth; I do not lie), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

B. The gospel of God includes all the divine truths; the expression *the divine truths* refers to the New Testament economy of God, which is the gospel—Gal.2:5, 14; Eph. 3:9; 6:19.

Gal 2:5 To them we yielded with the subjection demanded not even for an hour, that the truth of the gospel might remain with you.

Gal 2:14 But when I saw that they were not walking in a straightforward way in relation to the truth of the gospel, I said to Cephas before them all, If you, being a Jew, live like the Gentiles and not like the Jews, how is it that you compel the Gentiles to live like the Jews?

Eph 3:9 And to enlighten all that they may see what the economy of the mystery is, which throughout the ages has been hidden in God, who created all things,

Eph 6:19 And for me, that utterance may be given to me in the opening of my mouth, to make known in boldness the mystery of the gospel,

C. The entire New Testament is the gospel; because the New Testament as the gospel is typified by the Old Testament, we may say that the gospel actually includes the entire Bible—Luke 24:27, 44-45; John 5:39, 46.

Luke 24:27 And beginning from Moses and from all the prophets, He explained to them clearly in all the Scriptures the things concerning Himself.

Luke 24:44 And He said to them, These are My words which I spoke to you while I was still with you, that all the things written in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and Psalms concerning Me must be fulfilled.

Luke 24:45 Then He opened their mind to understand the Scriptures;

John 5:39 You search the Scriptures, because you think that in them you have eternal life; and it is these that testify concerning Me.

John 5:46 For if you believed Moses, you would believe Me; for he wrote concerning Me.

D. The gospel includes all the truths in the Bible; the entire Bible is the gospel of God—Eph. 1:13; Col. 1:5; 1 Thes. 1:5; 2 Thes. 2:13-14; 1 Tim. 2:4:

Eph 1:13 In whom you also, having heard the word of the truth, the gospel of your salvation, in Him also believing, you were sealed with the Holy Spirit of the promise,

Col 1:5 Because of the hope laid up for you in the heavens, of which you heard before in the word of the truth of the gospel,

- 1 Thes 1:5 For our gospel did not come to you in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and in much assurance, even as you know what kind of men we were among you for your sake.
- 2 Thes 2:13 And because of this we also thank God unceasingly that when you received the word of God, which you heard from us, you accepted it not as the word of men but even as it truly is, the word of God, which also operates in you who believe.
- 2 Thes 2:14 For you, brothers, became imitators of the churches of God which are in Judea in Christ Jesus, for you also suffered the same things from your own countrymen, even as they also from the Jews,
- 1 Tim 2:4 Who desires all men to be saved and to come to the full knowledge of the truth.
1. The truth is the gospel, and the light of the truth is the light of the gospel—Mark 1:1, 14-15; John 8:12, 32.
    - Mark 1:1 The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God,
    - Mark 1:14 And after John was delivered up, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God,
    - Mark 1:15 And saying, The time is fulfilled and the kingdom of God has drawn near. Repent and believe in the gospel.
    - John 8:12 Again therefore Jesus spoke to them, saying, I am the light of the world; he who follows Me shall by no means walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.
    - John 8:32 And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall set you free.
  2. To preach the truth is to preach the high gospel, because the real gospel preaching is the speaking of the truth—Mark 1:14-15; John 18:37.
    - John 18:37 Pilate said therefore to Him, So then You are a king? Jesus answered You say that I am a king. For this I have been born, and for this I have come into the world, that I would testify to the truth. Every one who is of the truth hears My voice.
  3. If we would spread the Lord's recovery today, we must bear the burden to diligently study the truth to the extent that we can expound the truth and announce the truth—2 Tim. 2:15; 1 Thes. 2:4; Matt. 28:19-20; Mark 16:15.
    - 2 Tim 2:15 Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, an unashamed workman, cutting straight the word of the truth.
    - 1 Thes 2:4 But even as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the gospel, so we speak, not as pleasing men but God, who proves our hearts.
    - Matt 28:19 Go therefore and disciple all the nations, baptizing them into the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,
    - Matt 28:20 Teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you all the days until the consummation of the age.
    - Mark 16:15 And He said to them, Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to all the creation.

#### **IV. The gospel of God is the fulfillment of the Old Testament—1:1, 14-15:**

- A. In order to know what the gospel is, we need to read the Old Testament and be enlightened concerning the revelation that is given there—Luke 24:44-46.
  - Luke 24:44 And He said to them, These are My words which I spoke to you while I was still with you, that all the things written in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and Psalms concerning Me must be fulfilled.
  - Luke 24:45 Then He opened their mind to understand the Scriptures;
  - Luke 24:46 And He said to them, Thus it is written, that the Christ would suffer and rise up from the dead on the third day,
- B. The gospel is the fulfillment of the promises, prophecies, and types and the removal of the law; this is the full definition of the gospel—Matt. 17:2-8:
  - Matt 17:2 And He was transfigured before them, and His face shone like the sun, and His garments became as white as the light.
  - Matt 17:3 And behold, Moses and Elijah appeared to them, conversing with Him.
  - Matt 17:4 And Peter answered and said to Jesus, Lord, it is good for us to be here; if You are willing, I will make three tents here, one for You and one for Moses and one for Elijah.
  - Matt 17:5 While he was still speaking, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and behold, a voice out of the cloud, saying, This is My Son, the Beloved, in whom I have found My delight. Hear Him!
  - Matt 17:6 And when the disciples heard this, they fell on their face and were greatly frightened.
  - Matt 17:7 And Jesus came to them and touched them and said, Arise, and do not be afraid.
  - Matt 17:8 And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one except Jesus Himself alone.

1. The gospel is the fulfillment of the promises, such as:
  - a. The gospel is the fulfillment of the promise that the seed of the woman would crush the head of the serpent—Gen. 3:15.  
 Gen 3:15 And I will put enmity Between you and the woman And between your seed and her seed; He will bruise you on the head, But you will bruise him on the heel.
  - b. God promised that Abraham's seed would be a great blessing to all mankind, for all the nations would be blessed through this seed—22:17-18.  
 Gen 22:17 I will surely bless you and will greatly multiply your seed like the stars of the heavens and like the sand which is on the seashore; and your seed shall possess the gate of his enemies.  
 Gen 22:18 And in your seed all the nations of the earth shall be blessed, because you have obeyed My voice.
2. The gospel is the fulfillment of the prophecies, such as:
  - a. Christ was the One born in Bethlehem—Micah 5:2.  
 Micah 5:2 But you, O Bethlehem Ephrathah, So little to be among the thousands of Judah, From you there will come forth to Me He who is to be Ruler in Israel; And His goings forth are from ancient times, From the days of eternity.
  - b. Christ was the One wounded because of our transgressions—Isa. 53:5.  
 Isa. 53:5 But He was wounded because of our transgressions; He was crushed because of our iniquities; The chastening for our peace was upon Him, And by His stripes we have been healed.
  - c. Christ was the One raised from the dead on the third day—Hosea 6:2.  
 Hosea 6:2 He will enliven us after two days; On the third day He will raise us up, And we will live in His presence.
  - d. Christ was the One begotten as the firstborn Son of God—Psa. 2:7.  
 Psa 2:7 I will recount the decree of Jehovah; He said to Me: You are My Son; Today I have begotten You.
4. The gospel is the fulfillment of the types, such as:
  - a. The Lord's action in making coats of skin for Adam and his wife is a type—Gen. 3:21.  
 Gen 3:21 And Jehovah God made for Adam and for his wife coats of skins and clothed them.
  - b. Other types include the ark (7:13), the passover (Exo. 12:3-13), the manna (16:31), the cleft rock (17:6), the tabernacle (25:9), Joshua (Josh. 1:1-2), David (1 Sam. 16:13), and Solomon (1 Kings 6:1).  
 Gen 7:13 On that very same day Noah and Shem and Ham and Japheth, the sons of Noah, and Noah's wife and the three wives of his sons with them entered the ark,  
 Exo 12:3 Speak to all the assembly of Israel, saying, On the tenth of this month each man shall take a lamb according to his fathers' house, a lamb for a household.  
 Exo 12:4 And if the household is too small for a lamb, then he and his neighbor next to his house shall take one according to the number of the persons in the houses; according to each man's eating you shall make your count for the lamb.  
 Exo 12:5 Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats.  
 Exo 12:6 And you shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; and the whole congregation of the assembly of Israel shall kill it at twilight.  
 Exo 12:7 And they shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and on the lintel of the houses in which they eat it.  
 Exo 12:8 And they shall eat the flesh in that night, roasted with fire, and they shall eat it with unleavened bread with bitter herbs.  
 Exo 12:9 Do not eat any of it raw or boiled at all with water, but roasted with fire-its head with its legs and with its inward parts.  
 Exo 12:10 And you shall not let any of it remain until the morning, but any of it that remains until the morning you shall burn with fire.  
 Exo 12:11 And this is how you shall eat it: with your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it in haste. It is Jehovah's passover.  
 Exo 12:12 For I will pass through the land of Egypt on that night and will strike all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast. Also against all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments. I am Jehovah.

- Exo 12:13 And the blood shall be a sign for you upon the houses where you are; and when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and there will be no plague upon you to destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.
- Exo 16:31 And the house of Israel called its name manna, and it was like coriander seed, white; and its taste was like wafers made with honey.
- Exo 17:6 I will be standing before you there upon the rock in Horeb; and you shall strike the rock, and water will come out of it so that the people may drink. And Moses did so in the sight of the elders of Israel.
- Exo 25:9 According to all that I show you, the pattern of the tabernacle and the pattern of all its utensils, even so you shall make it.
- Josh 1:1 After the death of Moses the servant of Jehovah, Jehovah spoke to Joshua the son of Nun, Moses' attendant, saying,
- Josh 1:2 Moses My servant is dead; now then arise, and cross over this Jordan, you and all this people, into the land which I am giving to them, to the children of Israel.
- 1 Sam 16:13 And Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the midst of his brothers, and the Spirit of Jehovah rushed upon David from that day forward. Then Samuel rose up and went to Ramah.
- 1 Kings 6:1 Then in the four hundred eightieth year after the children of Israel had come forth out of the land of Egypt, in the fourth year of his reign over Israel, in the month of Ziv (this is the second month), Solomon began to build the house of Jehovah.

5. The gospel is the removal of the law—Rom. 10:4:

Rom 10:4 For Christ is the end of the law unto righteousness to every one who believes.

a. The gospel annuls the custody of the law—Gal. 3:23-26; John 10:1-9.

- Gal 3:23 But before faith came we were guarded under law, being shut up unto the faith which was to be revealed.
- Gal 3:24 So then the law has become our child-conductor unto Christ that we might be justified out of faith.
- Gal 3:25 But since faith has come, we are no longer under a child-conductor.
- Gal 3:26 For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus.
- John 10:1 Truly, truly, I say to you, He who does not enter through the door into the sheepfold, but climbs up from somewhere else, he is a thief and a robber;
- John 10:2 But he who enters through the door is the shepherd of the sheep.
- John 10:3 To him the doorkeeper opens, and the sheep hear his voice; and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out.
- John 10:4 When he puts forth all his own, he goes before them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice.
- John 10:5 But they will by no means follow a stranger, but will flee from him, because they do not know the voice of strangers.
- John 10:6 This parable Jesus spoke to them, but they did not know what those things meant that He spoke to them.
- John 10:7 Jesus therefore said to them again, Truly, truly, I say to you that I am the door of the sheep.
- John 10:8 All who came before Me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not hear them.
- John 10:9 I am the door; if anyone enters through Me, he shall be saved and shall go in and go out and shall find pasture.

b. For Christ to be “the end of the law” means that He has completed and terminated the law—Rom. 10:4:

Rom 10:4 For Christ is the end of the law unto righteousness to every one who believes.

1) Christ came to fulfill the law; by fulfilling the law He terminated the law—Matt. 5:17.

Mat 5:17 Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have not come to abolish, but to fulfill.

2) The result of Christ's terminating the law is that God's righteousness is given to everyone who believes—Rom. 3:21-26.

Rom 3:21 But now, apart from the law, the righteousness of God has been manifested, witness being borne to it by the Law and the Prophets;

- Rom 3:22 Even the righteousness of God through the faith of Jesus Christ to all those who believe, for there is no distinction;
- Rom 3:23 For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,
- Rom 3:24 Being justified freely by His grace through the redemption which is in Christ Jesus;
- Rom 3:25 Whom God set forth as a propitiation place through faith in His blood, for the demonstrating of His righteousness, in that in His forbearance God passed over the sins that had previously occurred,
- Rom 3:26 With a view to the demonstrating of His righteousness in the present time, so that He might be righteous and the One who justifies him who is of the faith of Jesus.

6. Christ, the unique One, is the fulfillment of the entire Old Testament; the fulfillment of the promises, prophecies, and types and the removal of the law are a living person, Jesus Christ—Matt. 17:2-8; Rom. 10:4; Heb. 1:1-3.

- Mat 17:2 And He was transfigured before them, and His face shone like the sun, and His garments became as white as the light.
- Mat 17:3 And behold, Moses and Elijah appeared to them, conversing with Him.
- Mat 17:4 And Peter answered and said to Jesus, Lord, it is good for us to be here; if You are willing, I will make three tents here, one for You and one for Moses and one for Elijah.
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- Mat 17:7 And Jesus came to them and touched them and said, Arise, and do not be afraid.
- Mat 17:8 And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one except Jesus Himself alone.
- Rom 10:4 For Christ is the end of the law unto righteousness to everyone who believes.
- Heb 1:1 God, having spoken of old in many portions and in many ways to the fathers in the prophets,
- Heb 1:2 Has at the last of these days spoken to us in the Son, whom He appointed Heir of all things, through whom also He made the universe;
- Heb 1:3 Who, being the effulgence of His glory and the impress of His substance and upholding and bearing all things by the word of His power, having made purification of sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high;

**V. The gospel of God is the proclamation of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery—Rom. 16:25:**

Rom 16:25 Now to Him who is able to establish you according to my gospel, that is, the proclamation of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery, which has been kept in silence in the times of the ages

A. We are established according to the pure and full gospel of God; Paul's gospel is the full gospel, including the teaching concerning Christ, the Body, and the local churches—1:3-4; 2:16; 3:23-26; 12:4-5; 16:1, 4, 16, 25.

- Rom 1:3 Concerning His Son, who came out of the seed of David according to the flesh,
- Rom 1:4 Who was designated the Son of God in power according to the Spirit of holiness out of the resurrection of the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord;
- Rom 2:16 In the day when God judges the secrets of men according to my gospel through Jesus Christ.
- Rom 3:23 For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,
- Rom 3:24 Being justified freely by His grace through the redemption which is in Christ Jesus;
- Rom 3:25 Whom God set forth as a propitiation place through faith in His blood, for the demonstrating of His righteousness, in that in His forbearance God passed over the sins that had previously occurred,
- Rom 3:26 With a view to the demonstrating of His righteousness in the present time, so that He might be righteous and the One who justifies him who is of the faith of Jesus.
- Rom 12:4 For just as in one body we have many members, and all the members do not have the same function,
- Rom 12:5 So we who are many are one Body in Christ, and individually members one of another.
- Rom 16:1 I commend to you Phoebe our sister, who is a deaconess of the church which is in Cenchrea,
- Rom 16:4 Who risked their own necks for my life, to whom not only I give thanks, but also all the churches of the Gentiles;
- Rom 16:16 Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the churches of Christ greet you.
- Rom 16:25 Now to Him who is able to establish you according to my gospel, that is, the proclamation of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery, which has been kept in silence in the times of the ages

B. The gospel is the proclamation of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery—v. 25:

1. The gospel of God is a proclamation, an official public announcement; the Lord Jesus and the apostles proclaimed the gospel—Matt. 26:13; Mark 1:14; 16:15; Rom. 1:15; 10:15; Col. 1:27-28; cf. Rev. 14:6-7.

Mat 26:13 Truly I say to you, Wherever this gospel is proclaimed in the whole world, what this woman has done shall also be told as a memorial of her.

Mark 1:14 And after John was delivered up, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God,

Mark 16:15 And He said to them, Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to all<sup>1a</sup> the creation.

Rom 1:15 So, for my part, I am ready to announce the gospel to you also who are in Rome.

Rom 10:15 And how shall they proclaim Him unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who announce the news of good things!”

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

Col 1:28 Whom we announce, admonishing every man and teaching every man in all wisdom that we may present every man full-grown in Christ;

Rev 14:6 And I saw another angel flying in mid-heaven, having an eternal gospel to announce to those dwelling on the earth, even to every nation and tribe and tongue and people,

Rev 14:7 Saying with a loud voice, Fear God and give Him glory because the hour of His judgment has come; and worship Him who has made heaven and earth and the sea and the springs of waters.

2. The gospel is the proclamation of Jesus Christ—Acts 8:5, 12; 9:20; 17:18.

Acts 8:5 And Philip went down to the city of Samaria and proclaimed the Christ to them.

Acts 8:12 But when they believed Philip, who announced the gospel of the kingdom of God and of the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized, both men and women.

Acts 9:20 And immediately he proclaimed Jesus in the synagogues, that this One is the Son of God

Acts 17:18 And some of the Epicurean and Stoic philosophers also confronted him. And some said, What would this babbler wish to say? And others, He seems to be an announcer of foreign deities—because he was announcing Jesus and the resurrection as the gospel.

3. The proclamation of Jesus Christ is according to “the revelation of the mystery”; this mystery is mainly of two aspects—Rom. 16:25:

Rom 16:25 Now to Him who is able to establish you according to my gospel, that is, the proclamation of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery, which has been kept in silence in the times of the ages

a. The mystery of God is Christ, who is in the believers as their life and everything for His Body—Col. 2:2; 1:26-27; 3:4-11; Rom. 12:4-5.

Col 2:2 That their hearts may be comforted, they being knit together in love and unto all the riches of the full assurance of understanding, unto the full knowledge of the mystery of God, Christ,

Col 1:26 The mystery which has been hidden from the ages and from the generations but now has been manifested to His saints;

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

Col 3:4 When Christ our life is manifested, then you also will be manifested with Him in glory.

Col 3:5 Put to death therefore your members which are on the earth: fornication, uncleanness, passion, evil desire, and greediness, which is idolatry;

Col 3:6 Because of which things the wrath of God is coming upon the sons of disobedience;

Col 3:7 In which you also once walked, when you lived in these things.

Col 3:8 But now, you also, put away all these things: wrath, anger, malice, blasphemy, foul abusive language out of your mouth.

Col 3:9 Do not lie to one another, since you have put off the old man with his practices

Col 3:10 And have put on the new man, which is being renewed unto full knowledge according to the image of Him who created him,

Col 3:11 Where there cannot be Greek and Jew, circumcision and uncircumcision, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free man, but Christ is all and in all.

Rom 12:4 For just as in one body we have many members, and all the members do not have the same function,

Rom 12:5 So we who are many are one Body in Christ, and individually members one of another.

b. The mystery of Christ is the church as His Body to express His fullness—Eph. 3:4-6; 1:22-23.

- Eph 3:4 By which, in reading it, you can perceive my understanding in the mystery of Christ,  
Eph 3:5 Which in other generations was not made known to the sons of men, as it has now been revealed to His holy apostles and prophets in spirit,  
Eph 3:6 That in Christ Jesus the Gentiles are fellow heirs and fellow members of the Body and fellow partakers of the promise through the gospel,  
Eph 1:22 And He subjected all things under His feet and gave Him to be Head over all things to the church,  
Eph 1:23 Which is His Body, the fullness of the One who fills all in all.