

Ephesians:
Chapter 3:1-13

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Ephesians 3:1-3, 6-7, 10-11
Matthew 28:19

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The purpose of the Church is to make disciples who make disciples.

¹⁹ Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Matthew 28:19

¹ When I think of all this, I, Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus for the benefit of you Gentiles... Ephesians 3:1

Prisoner of Christ or Rome?

In my imprisonment see Jesus at work in my life.

In my marriage see Jesus at work.

In my family see Jesus at work.

In my job see Jesus at work.

² assuming, by the way, that you know God gave me the special responsibility of extending his grace to you Gentiles. ³ As I briefly wrote earlier, God himself revealed his mysterious plan to me. Ephesians 3:2–3

The mystery of the Gospel of Grace.

It must be revealed or explained.

How good is good enough?

⁶ And this is God's plan: Both Gentiles and Jews who believe the Good News share equally in the riches inherited by God's children. Both are part of the same body, and both enjoy the promise of blessings because they belong to Christ Jesus. Ephesians 3:6

⁷ By God's grace and mighty power, I have been given the privilege of serving him by spreading this Good News. Ephesians 3:7

Do you understand the Gospel?

¹⁰ God's purpose in all this was to use the church to display his wisdom in its rich variety to all the unseen rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. ¹¹ This was his eternal plan, which he carried out through Christ Jesus our Lord. Ephesians 3:10-11

God is at work in His Church and through His Church.

The gospel isn't common sense; messengers are needed for people to receive it.

Your life is displaying God's brilliance.

Are you trusting in Jesus alone for salvation?

Are you relying on any good works of your own to save you?

Is it your intention, with God helping you, to live a life pleasing to the Lord?