

Sunday Text Questions

Ephesians 3:1-7

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Read the text aloud and discuss any significant observations or issues that need clarification together.

- 1) Have you ever experienced the beautiful diversity of the people of God, the church, in your travels or in a unique church experience? What was it like? Why are so many churches siloed by ethnic, political, or cultural differences?

- 2) God sent Paul, a Jew who previously fought for Judaism in radical ways, to the Gentiles (v. 1), whom he was raised and trained to despise. What do you think that experience would have been like for Paul?

- 3) What is the “mystery made known to me [Paul] by revelation” (v. 3), also called “the mystery of [about] Christ” (v. 4), and why does it need to be delivered to the Gentiles?

- 4) Why did God slowly or progressively reveal his plan for the world that would reach its fulfillment in Jesus (v. 5)? How does this help you read the Old Testament as a Christian and not an ancient Israelite?

- 5) If Gentiles have been included with Israel in every way (co-heirs, one body, and sharers of the promise), is it ever appropriate to speak of Israel or Jewish believers as distinct from other Christians, the church? Why do people separate Israel from the church today?

- 6) If Christians, whether Jew or Gentile, equally and fully belong to the people of God, how should that affect the way the church functions and looks today?

- 7) In what other ways, if any, did this passage speak into your life to teach, rebuke, correct, or train you in righteousness (cf. 2 Timothy 3:16)?

Further study this week: Passages related to the message of this week’s text: Hebrews 1:1-2 (Mon); John 16:13 (Tues); Galatians 3:23-25 (Wed); Romans 16:25-26 (Thurs); Genesis 12:1-3 (Fri).