Passage Outline:
Vs. 1
On account of this, I Paul on behalf of you Gentiles ...

Vs. 2-7
- If you have heard the “economy” of God’s grace
- The mystery made known to me now
  - Not made known to other generations
  - Gentiles: co-heirs
    - co-body
    - sharers in promises of Christ
  - Given to me

Vs. 8-13
Given to me the least
- To “gospel-ize” Gentiles regarding wealth in Christ
  - To enlighten all
    - What the “economy” of the mystery
      - To make known the wisdom of God
        - Now to “heavenly” rulers & authorities
        - Through the Church
        - Made in Christ
  - In whom we have boldness and access

Therefore, don’t lose heart

... and here’s my further prayer for you (Vs. 14)

Key words and Thoughts: grace (χάρις); economy (οἰκονομία); mystery (μυστήριον); give (δίδωμι); make known (γνωρίζω); reveal (ἀποκαλύπτω); now (νῦν)

Questions:
Generally, what does the word “mystery” mean to you? How did Paul employ this word?

For Paul, what is the “mystery” of God? Do you find this mystery to be mysterious? Why/why not?

What is this mystery based upon?

Through whom is this mystery to be made known?