

Ephesians 3:9

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And to make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ:

Analysis

[Verse 3:9 text would be quoted here] This verse in Ephesians chapter 3 addresses theological theme. Key Greek terms include to be determined.

The theological focus is doctrinal emphasis, demonstrating Paul's emphasis on the cosmic Christ and the church as His body/bride/temple. The phrase emphasizes union with Christ as the foundation of all spiritual blessings.

Historical Context

Written during Paul's Roman imprisonment (60-62 CE), this verse in chapter 3 reflects the circular letter's purpose to multiple Asian churches. Ephesus was a major center of pagan worship (Artemis cult) and early Christianity, making Paul's teachings on spiritual warfare and Christian unity particularly relevant.

Related Passages

Matthew 25:31 — Final judgment

Revelation 20:12 — Judgment according to deeds

Study Questions

1. How does the truth of Ephesians 3:9 about verse-specific transform your daily walk with Christ?
2. What does this verse teach about theological theme that challenges modern Christian practice?
3. How can you apply the theological principle of doctrinal emphasis in your relationships and witness?

Interlinear Text

καὶ	φωτίσαι	πάντα	τίς	τὰ	κοινωνία	τὰ	μυστηρίου	
And	men see	all	what	which	is the fellowship	which	of the mystery	
G2532	G5461	G3956	G5101	G3588	G2842	G3588	G3466	
τὰ	ἀποκεκρυμμένου	ἀπὸ	τὰ		αἰώνων		ἐν	
which	hath been hid	from	which	the beginning of the world	in			
G3588	G613	G575	G3588	G165			G1722	
τὰ	θεῶ	τὰ	τὰ	πάντα	κτίσαντι	διὰ	Ἰησοῦ	Χριστοῦ
which	God	which	which	all	created	by	Jesus	Christ
G3588	G2316	G3588	G3588	G3956	G2936	G1223	G2424	G5547

Additional Cross-References

Colossians 1:26 (Creation): Even the mystery which hath been hid from ages and from generations, but now is made manifest to his saints:

Matthew 13:35 (Parallel theme): That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying, I will open my mouth in parables; I will utter things which have been kept secret from the foundation of the world.

Colossians 3:3 (References Christ): For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God.

2 Timothy 1:9 (References Jesus): Who hath saved us, and called us with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began,

Isaiah 44:24 (Parallel theme): Thus saith the LORD, thy redeemer, and he that formed thee from the womb, I am the LORD that maketh all things; that stretcheth forth the heavens alone; that spreadeth abroad the earth by myself;

Psalms 33:6 (Creation): By the word of the LORD were the heavens made; and all the host of them by the breath of his mouth.

Matthew 28:19 (Parallel theme): Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:

Revelation 4:11 (Creation): Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created.

Matthew 25:34 (Parallel theme): Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world:

1 Timothy 3:16 (References God): And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory.