

Ephesians 3:1-13 Bible Study Questions¹

- 1) In vv. 1-2 and 7-8, what is Paul's perspective toward his ministry?
- 2) In what ways did Paul receive his ministry as a result of grace? See 1 Timothy 1:12-14.
- 3) What does this teach us about proper motivation and attitude in ministry? What might a wrong attitude toward ministry look like?
- 4) Read verses 3-6. What are the contents of this mystery which has now been revealed?
- 5) Paul was given the mystery that God's salvation is open to Gentiles also. What kinds of "mysteries" (i.e. truths formerly unknown) have been revealed to us that unbelievers or less mature believers ought to know? What inhibits you from revealing these mysteries?
- 6) In v. 8, Paul states that he has been appointed by Christ to preach to the Gentiles the "unsearchable riches of Christ." What would you say are some of the unsearchable riches that are found in Christ?
- 7) Paul likens Christ to a treasure chest in which you can dig forever yet never stop discovering new treasure. How have you experienced this in your own life? What keeps you from experiencing this?
- 8) In verse 12, Paul says we can act with boldness and confidence in approaching God. How does this jive with the idea that humility, piety, and reverence are appropriate heart-postures before Almighty God?
- 9) How can the trials of Paul be for the glory of the Ephesians (verse 13)?

¹ Based on questions from the study found at <http://www.centerfieldproductions.com/downloads/crucommsamples/blessedtobeablessing.pdf>