

The Most Crucial Division in the Bible (Part 2)

This interruption in the prophetic program is the great mystery that was kept secret since the world began.

1. God set Israel aside (temporarily) and offered salvation to all of His enemies in the entire world through _____ in Christ's shed blood.
Colossians 1:20-21; Ephesians 2:11-13
2. Everyone from all nations, Jews or Gentiles, could be reconciled to God in one body by the cross. Ephesians 2:16
3. Out goes the dispensation of Israel and in comes the dispensation of the grace of God. Ephesians 3:2

Let's consider this mystery body and some of its truths as given to the apostle Paul:

1. The temporary _____ and casting away of Israel.
Romans 11:12, 15
2. There is now _____ difference between the Jews and Gentiles in God's eyes. Romans 10:12-13; cf. Romans 11:32
3. The gospel of the _____ of God preached (Acts 20:24) as opposed to the gospel of the _____ of heaven (Matthew 10:7).
4. Believers reconciled to God through the _____ of Jesus Christ.
Ephesians 2:13; Colossians 1:20-21; Romans 5:10
5. Jew and Gentile believers are baptized by the Holy Spirit into one _____ (Ephesians 2:16) and are one in Christ. Galatians 3:27-28; cf. 1 Corinthians 12:13

Prophecy vs. the Mystery

<u>Prophecy</u>	<u>Mystery</u>
1. Concerned with an _____ kingdom, a political organization. Isaiah 2:1-5, 9:6-7; Ezekiel 37:21-28; Daniel 2:44	1. Concerned with a _____ body, a living organism. Ephesians 1:20-23
2. Reaches its culmination on _____ (Jeremiah 23:5-6; Matthew 25:31-32). Christ returns to earth and establishes Israel's kingdom.	2. Reaches its culmination in _____ (Ephesians 1:3, 2:5-6; Philippians 3:20-21; 1 Thessalonians 4:16-18). Jesus comes in the clouds and catches the church up to the heavens.
3. Christ is King over an _____ kingdom. Zechariah 14:9; Revelation 20:4-6	3. Christ is head over a _____ body. Ephesians 1:19-23; Colossians 1:18
4. Prophesied since the _____ began. Luke 1:68-70; Acts 3:21-24; 2 Peter 1:20-21	4. Kept _____ since the world began. Ephesians 3:3-6, 9; Colossians 1:26
5. Israel enjoys supremacy over the _____ nations. Isaiah 60:10-12, 61:6	5. No _____ between Jew or Gentile. Romans 10:12, 11:32; Ephesians 2:16-17; 1 Corinthians 12:13; Galatians 3:28
6. Gentiles are blessed through Israel's _____. Isaiah 2:2-3, 60:1-5; Zechariah 8:22-23	6. Gentiles are blessed through Israel's _____. Acts 28:27-28; Romans 11:11, 12, 15
7. Concerned with Christ's rule on _____. Zechariah 14:4, 9	7. Concerned with Christ's position in _____. Romans 8:34; Ephesians 1:20-23; Colossians 3:1-3
8. The gospel of the _____ proclaimed. Matthew 4:23, 9:35, 10:7, 24:14	8. The gospel of the _____ of God proclaimed. Acts 20:24; Galatians 1:6-9
9. The gospel of the kingdom committed to the _____ apostles. Matthew 10:5-7; Acts 1:6-8, 3:19-26	9. The gospel of the grace of God committed to primarily one man, _____. Ephesians 3:1-3, 8-9; Colossians 1:24-27