

Sermon Notes: "The Magi Point Out the Mystery of the Gospel"  
Ephesians 3:1-6 reflects upon and teaches  
Matthew 2:1-12 and Isaiah 60:1-6

## I. Mystery

v 3 – Greek = mysterion = Mystery = “\_\_\_\_\_ or secret thing”

- The word related to the verb “to shut the \_\_\_\_\_.”

- The mystery, or hidden things needs to be \_\_\_\_\_ from God.

- This mystery is not according to the natural wisdom of people but it is \_\_\_\_\_ wisdom.\*\*\*

## II. Mystery of \_\_\_\_\_ Christ (Ephesians 3:4)

- Christ = Messiah = “anointed one” = promised one

- Though English translations do not show it, the literal translation is “mystery of the Christ.” The Christ is an office, a position, a special job.

- Jesus the Christ. Peter’s confession = “You are the Christ.”  
Mark 8:29

- The work of the Christ was to reveal the mystery.

(Example: Only the player acting as a NFL quarterback may have a radio in his helmet on the team on offence. The “office” of the quarterback.)

- The Christ reveals the mystery of God. No one else.

### III. The Christ revealed the Mystery in His Person, Work, Actions and Teachings.

- Everything about Jesus reveals the mystery. The very

\_\_\_\_\_ of the Baby Jesus revealed the mystery.

- The Magi's visit and worship of Jesus acted out the prophecy in Isaiah 60:1-6. The Magi showed that Jesus came to be worshipped by all people.

- v 6 The mystery is that the \_\_\_\_\_ (all-non Jewish people!)

are: 1. "fellow heirs"

- Adopted into God's family
- are family of Abraham
- receive by inheritance the promised gifts from God

2. "member of the same body"

- there is no distinction of language, culture, race in

\_\_\_\_\_ family

3. "partakers" (co-participants)

- are active in the promises and work of God
- work alongside in God's promises

\*\*\* Human wisdom divides from one another people. Categorizes people from each other. Numbers groups of people according to family, race, language, wealth, health,... you name it!

\*\*\* God's wisdom is that all people are equally lost sinners and all need to be saved and adopted into His family. To be one family.