

CHAPTER 3

- 1** For this cause I Paul, the prisoner of Jesus Christ for you Gentiles,
- 2** If ye have heard of the dispensation of the grace of God which is given me to you-ward:
- 3** How that by revelation he made known unto me the mystery; (as I wrote afore in few words,
- 4** Whereby, when ye read, ye may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ)
- 5** Which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit;
- 6** That the Gentiles should be fellowheirs, and of the same body, and partakers of his promise in Christ by the gospel;
- 7** Whereof I was made a minister, according to the gift of the grace of God given unto me by the effectual working of his power.
- 8** Unto me, who am less than the least of all saints, is this grace given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ;
- 9** 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:
- 10** To the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly *places* might be known by the church the manifold wisdom of God,
- 11** According to the eternal purpose which he purposed in Christ Jesus our Lord:
- 12** In whom we have boldness and access with confidence by the faith of him.
- 13** Wherefore I desire that ye faint not at my tribulations for you, which is your glory.
- 14** For this cause I bow my knees unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
- 15** Of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named,
- 16** That he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man;
- 17** That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love,
- 18** May be able to comprehend with all saints what *is* the breadth, and length, and depth, and height;
- 19** And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God.
- 20** Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us,
- 21** Unto him *be* glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.