

THE MYSTERY OF JESUS Eph.3:1-12 *Get to Know Jesus* 1-3-16

Epiphany: Magi see light of God's glory in the child Jesus & worship him!

Paul sees an Epiphany mystery of Jesus: cosmic scale

What's God up to w/ Jesus? Shepherds & Magi. Now a bigger mystery?!

1. GOD REVEALS THE MYSTERY OF HIS PLAN

*** What Is The Mystery?**

- ~ Keep mystery! .what we can't know by human ways
- ~ Birth of Jesus? Cross? Resurrection? Christ in you?
- ~ God uses Baby, Cross & Spirit to renew & reunite broken universe!
- ~ Mystery: The Church: Jews & Gentiles united & equal, 1 in Christ!

*** Who's Watching the Church?**

- ~ Epiphany for Angels: All heaven & earth under Christ!
- ~ Royal rulers & authorities in heavenly places?

What God does in Jesus is BIGGER than a moment in time & place on earth!

2. LIVE IN THE MYSTERY OF JESUS

*** Celebrate God's Cosmic Saving Work**

- ~ Worship ... Wonder ... Hope
- ~ Tell wonder of God's saving work in Jesus. God's hope for universe!

*** Love Jesus & His Church**

- ~ Isn't it obvious?
- ~ Love Church: God shows his united showpiece for earth & heaven!

*** Believe & Pray With Confidence in Jesus Eph.3:12**

- ~ Trust what God is doing in Jesus w/ your life!
- ~ You are united in Christ! Pray w/ freedom & boldness!

What a Wonderful, Magnanimous, Magnificent Mystery in Jesus!