# What Am I Doing Here? Part 10

Jesus... The Salvation Mystery Revealed Reference: Ephesians 3:1-7 Pastor Christopher Gray

### Exposition:

## verse one (see screen)

He (Paul) refuses to regard himself as a victim either of the Jews or of the Roman emperor; rather, he (Paul) is *"the prisoner of Christ Jesus."* He insists that his imprisonment is a mark of his

Paul does not allow his circumstances to dictate his

## References: Ephesians 3:14; Philippians 2:3-11 (see screen)

The whole duty of the Christian can be summed up in this: \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ in a way that will make God look as great as He really is. Reference: **1 Peter 2:9** (see screen)

#### verse two (see screen)

One dictionary defined dispensation as the "method or scheme according to which God carries out His \_\_\_\_\_\_ towards men" and in this case, Paul is referring to the system of God's grace that was given to him for the Gentiles. References: Acts 9:15; Acts 11:23 (see screen)

#### verses three through five (see screen)

Revelation is the disclosure of something from God to humans and in this case, God has revealed a mystery or His plan for how He was going to bring the \_\_\_\_\_\_ **into His family**, equal or partners with Israel. References: **Ephesians 2:16**; **Ephesians 1:18** (see screen)

Jesus Christ has provided peace between God and man and has provided \_\_\_\_\_\_ to God the Father by the Holy Spirit. Reference: **Ephesians 2:18** (see screen)

This mystery was not made known to the sons of men in other ages, as it has been revealed by the Spirit to His holy

\_\_\_\_\_ and prophets.

References: Colossians 1:27; Genesis 12:3; John 15:26; 2 Timothy 3:16-17 (see screen)

#### verse six (see screen)

An heir is someone who is legally entitled to something and in this case, it is being a part of the same \_\_\_\_\_. References: **Romans 8:17**; **Galatians 3:29**;

The Gospel is simply the teaching or revelation of \_\_\_\_\_

Reference: Colossians 1:18 (see screen)

#### verse seven (see screen)

There are essentially two kinds of people on the planet, there are those \_\_\_\_\_ God's grace and there are those \_\_\_\_\_ God's grace.

References: Romans 6:23a; Ephesians 2:8 (see screen)

Five Reasons Why Grace is a Gift:

- 1. We **owe** \_\_\_\_\_ for it.
- 2. It was **not** \_\_\_\_\_, there was a \_\_\_\_\_ to the giver.
- 3. Once you have it, it belongs to you \_\_\_\_\_, the giver does not get it back.
- 4. The recipient becomes \_\_\_\_\_\_ while the giver becomes \_\_\_\_\_\_. Reference: 2 Corinthians 8:9 (see screen)
- It was completely \_\_\_\_\_\_ or something that we don't deserve or have earned. Reference: 2 Timothy 1:9-10 (see screen)

A minister is a person to "tend to the \_\_\_\_\_ of another" and Paul understood the need of a sinner and that need was grace.

Reference: Romans 6:23 (see screen)

Principle One (v.1) Christians are \_\_\_\_\_\_ of God regardless of our circumstances. Reference: 2 Corinthians 4:7-18 (see screen) Application One (v.1) Regardless of our circumstances we need to get

Principle Two (v.2) Christians have received God's \_\_\_\_\_\_ and it did not stop at salvation. References: Philippians 4:19; James 1:17; John 1:16 (see screen) Application Two (v.2) God has given us so much more than we deserve and we need to give to \_\_\_\_\_\_ more than they deserve. Reference: Colossians 3:13 (see screen)

Principle Three (v.3-7) Christians are partakers of God's promises in Christ because of the \_\_\_\_\_. Application Three (v. 3-7) We are supposed to \_\_\_\_\_ that good news with as many people as possible.