



Welcome to  
Rehoboth New  
Life Center  
**Bible Study**  
**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
**February 2016**

# The Book of Ephesians Part 4

Ephesians 3:4 Whereby, when ye read,  
ye may understand my knowledge in the  
mystery of Christ

# The Twelve Mysteries

## 1. The Mystery of the "Incarnation."

- I. God was manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory." 1 Tim. 3:16.

## 2. The Mystery of the "Divine Indwelling."

- I. Colossians 1:27 To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the hope of glory:

## 3. The Mystery of the Church (the body of Christ).

- I. Ephesians 5:32 This is a great mystery: but I speak concerning Christ and the church.

# The Twelve Mysteries

4. The Mystery of the "Seven Stars" and the "Seven Candlesticks".
  - Revelation 1:20 The mystery of the seven stars which thou sawest in my right hand, and the seven golden candlesticks.
5. The Mystery of the "Kingdom of Heaven."  
The twelve parables of Matthew
6. The Mystery of the "Translation of the Living Saints."  
1 Corinthians 15:51 ¶Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed,

# The Twelve Mysteries

## 7. The Mystery of "Israel's Blindness."

Romans 11:25 For I would not, brethren, that ye should be ignorant of this mystery, lest ye should be wise in your own conceits; that blindness in part is happened to Israel, until the fulness of the Gentiles be come in.

## 8. "Mystery of Iniquity,"

2 Thessalonians 2:7 For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth will let, until he be taken out of the way.

## 9. The Mystery of "Babylon the Great."



# The Twelve Mysteries

## 10. The Mystery of the Church As the "Bride of Christ."

Ephesians 5:32 This is a great mystery: but I speak concerning Christ and the church.

## 11. The Mystery of the "Restoration of All Things."

Ephesians 1:9 Having made known unto us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure which he hath purposed in himself: That in the dispensation of the fulness of times he might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth; even in him:

## 12. The Mystery of God

Revelation 10:7 But in the days of the voice of the seventh angel, when he shall begin to sound, the mystery of God should be finished, as he hath declared to his servants the prophets.

# “Unto the principalities and powers”



Ephesians 3:9 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,

*Ephesians 6:12* For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.

# “The Principalities and Powers”



Colossians 1:16 For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they **be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers:** all things were created by him, and for him:

***2 Corinthians 11:13*** For such are false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ. 14 **And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light.** 15 Therefore it is no great thing **if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness;** whose end shall be according to their works.



# Origin of Rulership



***Deuteronomy 32:8*** When the most High divided to the nations their inheritance, when he separated the sons of Adam, he set the bounds of the people **according to the number of the children of Israel.** (KJV)

***Deuteronomy 32:8*** When the most High divided the nations, when he separated the sons of Adam, he set the bounds of the nations **according to the number of the sons of God.** (Septuagint)

***Genesis 10:25*** And unto Eber were born two sons: the name of one was Peleg; ***for in his days was the earth divided***; and his brother's name was Joktan.

32 These are the families of the sons of Noah, after their generations, in their nations: **and *of these were the nations divided in the earth after the flood.*** (NLT)

# There were seventy princes



- Exodus 23:20 ¶ Behold, I send an Angel before thee, **to keep thee in the way**, and to bring thee into the place which I have prepared.
- 21 Beware of him, and obey his voice,
- Daniel 12:1 ¶ And at that time shall Michael stand up, **the great prince** which standeth for the children of thy people:

# The Rebellion: Psalms 82

1 God (אֱלֹהִים) standeth in the congregation of the mighty (בְּעֵדֹת־אֱלִ); he judgeth among the gods (אֱלֹהִים).

2 How long will ye judge (תִּשְׁפֹּטוּ) unjustly, and accept (תִּשָּׂאוּ) the persons of the wicked? Selah.

3 Defend (שִׁפְטוּ) the poor and fatherless: do justice (הַצְדִּיקוּ) to the afflicted and needy.

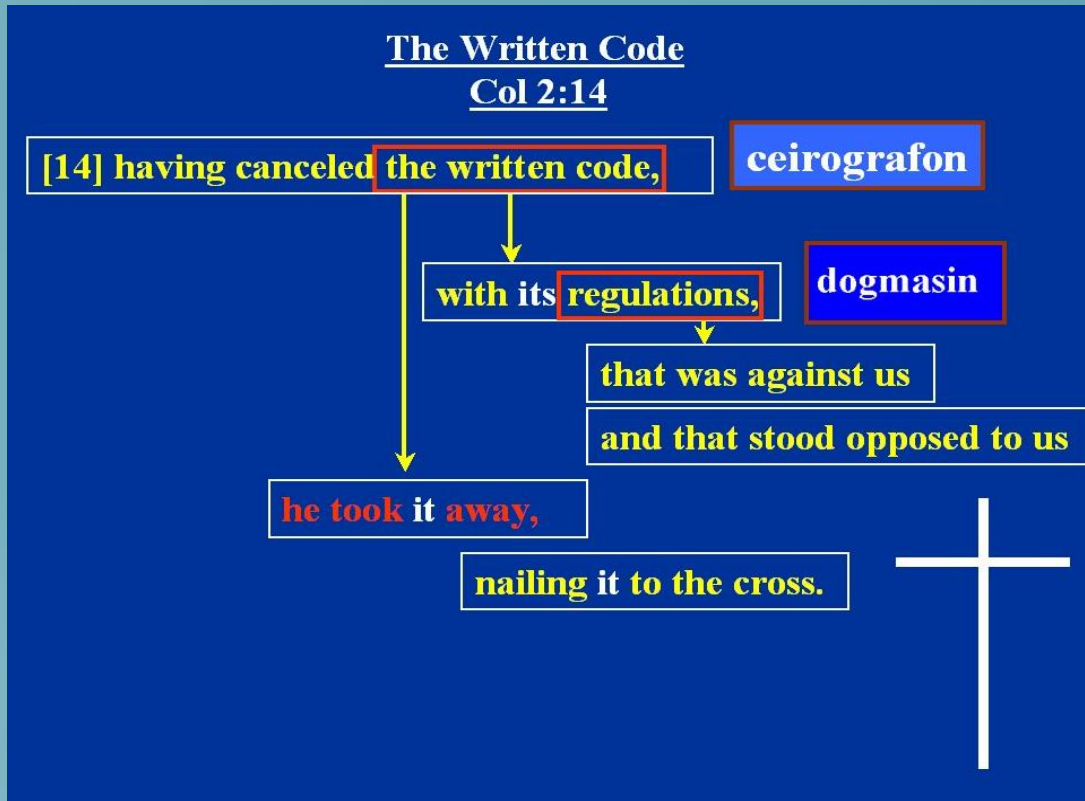
4 Deliver (פִּלְטוּ) the poor and needy: rid [them] (הַצִּילוּ) out of the hand of the wicked.

5 They (*the gods*) know not (לֹא יָדְעוּ), neither will they (*the gods*) understand (וְלֹא יִבִּינּוּ); they (*the gods*) walk on (יִתְהַלְּכוּ) in darkness: all the foundations of the earth are out of course.

6 I have said, Ye [are] gods (אֱלֹהִים אַתֶּם); and all of you [are] children of the most High (וּבְנֵי עֲלִיוֹן כָּלְכֶם).

7 But ye shall die (תָּמוּתוּן)<sup>45</sup> like Adam,<sup>46</sup> and fall (תִּפְּלוּ) like one of the Shining Ones.<sup>47</sup>

# The Mystery of Christ



Colossians 2:15 **And having spoiled principalities and powers, he made a shew of them openly, triumphing over them in it.**

**15** And having disarmed the powers and authorities, **he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross. (NIV)**

**Hebrews 2:14** ¶ Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same; that through death **he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil;**



# Disarmed through...The Spirit



For as many as are  
led by the Spirit of  
God, they are the sons  
of God.

Romans 8:14

Ephesians 3:10 To the intent **that now** unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known **by the church (The Body of Christ)** the manifold wisdom of God.

Romans 8:29 ¶For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be **conformed to the image of his Son**, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren.

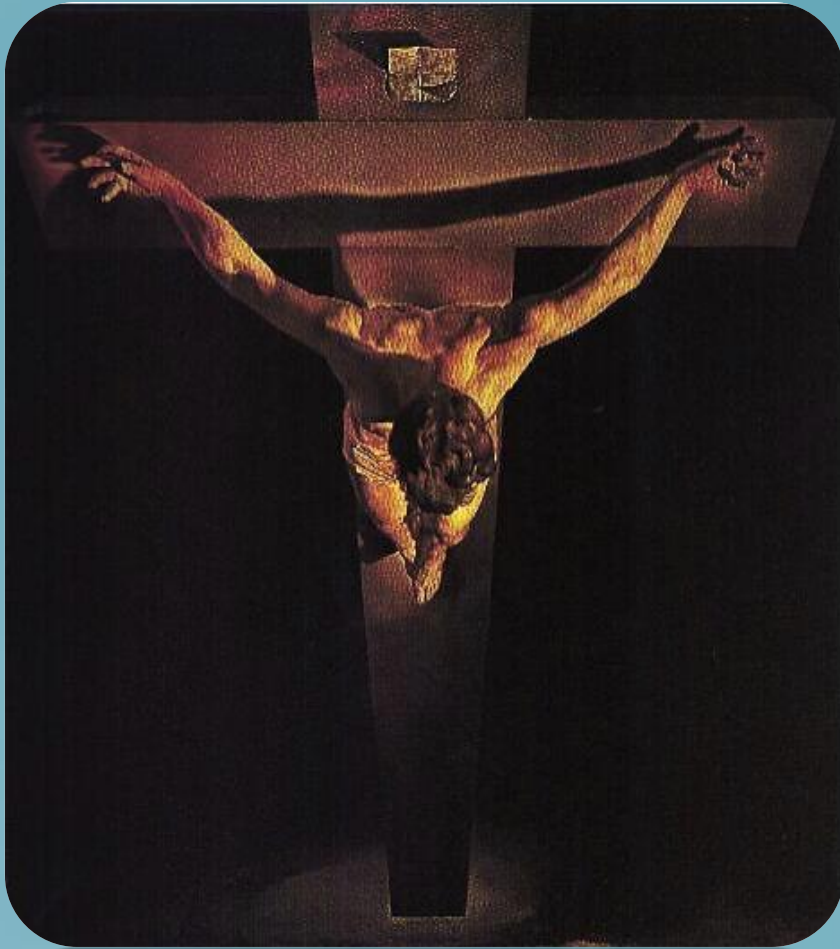
**Hebrews 2:10** ¶For it became him, for whom are all things, and by whom are all things, **in bringing many sons unto glory**, to make the captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings.

# The Punishment



- Isaiah 24:21 And it shall come to pass in that day, that the **LORD** shall punish the host of the high ones that are on high, and the kings of the earth upon the earth.

# From the foundation of the world



Ephesians 3:10 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:

***Revelation 13:8*** And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.