Sermon Notes for Young People

May 12, 2019 | Colossians 1:25-27, "Mystery Revealed"

I. <u>Introduction</u>

II. Main Argument

- A. Purpose in Ministry (vv. 25-26)
 - 1. Paul's Stewardship (v. 25)
 - a. What right does Paul have to meddle in the affairs of this church that he has never visited?
 - b. What is the distinction between *steward* and *servant* here?
 - c. **Application**: why are doctrine and truth not merely private matters?
 - d. <u>Application</u>: how is authority in the church exercised differently than elsewhere?
 - 2. Mystery Revealed (v. 26)
 - a. What was Paul's stewardship to do? (cf. v. 25)
 - b. What does Paul mean by "mystery" here?
 - c. What "refrain" runs throughout the Old Testament?

B. Purpose in Revelation (v. 27)

- 1. Gentile Inclusion
 - a. What is the mystery Paul makes known?
 - b. Where can Christians have access to *ultimate knowledge*?

2. Riches of Glory

- a. Does God need Gentiles to praise Him?
- b. How does salvation of the Gentiles reveal God's glory and greatness?

3. Christ Our Hope

- a. What is chief among the riches of God's glory?
- b. What sets God's people apart and qualifies them to know and receive God's riches?
- c. <u>Application</u>: How is your identity in Christ shown in your living, values and priorities?
- d. **Application**: Where especially does Christ meet with His people?

III.Questions for my Parents or the Pastor: