The Gospel: The Living Mystery

The gospel is a living mystery. The gospel is living because new life can spring up at any moment. The gospel is a mystery because this lost and dying world cannot understand it. However, the mystery comes alive the moment anyone receives Christ as Savior. This is the holy moment that Jesus died for. And this is the holy moment that we now pray will come alive in those who do not know Christ.

Part of this living mystery is that God promised long ago that he would bring his gospel into this world. He gave this promise to Abraham: "The whole world will be blessed through you" (Genesis 12:3). Who knew that God's promise would then unfold in countless ways all the way down through human history? God knew.

The door is now open to all who will receive Jesus Christ as Savior. "God has chosen to make known among the Gentiles the glorious riches of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory" (Colossians 1:27). In the middle of this lost and dying world God has opened up his promise that was kept hidden until the coming of Christ. This gift is multiplied to infinity when we consider the fact that, not only is Christ in us, but we are in him. There is a relationship that transcends this world. May this living mystery of the gospel come alive in more and more people.

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Colossians 1:24-29

24-25 THE MYSTERY OF SUFFERING

2 Corinthians 11:23-29

John 15:18-19; 16:33

26-27 THE MYSTERY OF GLORY

1 Corinthians 2:6-17

Ephesians 3:6

28-29 THE MYSTERY OF WISDOM

▪ The wisdom of Christ

▪ The calling of Christ