

Paul's Letter to the Ephesians!

A Prison Epistle!



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The Text:

Ephesians 3:1-13!

The Title:

A Prisoner? Praise God Anyway!

The Theme:

(Encouragement & Exhortation of Christ's Church)

God's Eternal Purpose in the Establishing
and Completing of His Church!

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James 1:4 &12!

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The **Outline** of the Book of Ephesians!

Ephesian Outline: Threefold!

- I. (1:1-3:21) The **POSITION** of the Believer! (Theological)
 - A. (1:1-14) Our Position (Heaven) **Produces PRAISE!**
 - B. (1:15-23) Our Position (Earth) **Promotes PRAYER!**
 - C. (2:1-22) Our Position (Sons) **Provides PASSION!**
 - D. (3:1-21) Our Position (Heirs) **Promises POWER!**
- II. (4:1-6:9) The **PRACTICE** of the Believer! (Practical)
- III. (6:10-20) The **PROTECTION** of the Believer! (Personal)

Today's Sermon Outline!

I. (1:1-3:21) The **POSITION** of the Believer! (Theological)

D. (3:1-21) The Believer's Position **Promises POWER!**

1. (3:1-13) Paul's **PARENTHESIS**: God's **Mystery** Revealed!

a. (vs.1-5) The **proclamation** of God's mystery.

b. (vs.6-9) The **principle** in God's mystery.

c. (vs.10-13) The **purpose** of God's mystery.

2. (3:14-21) Paul's **PRAYER**: God's **Majesty** Realized!

a. (vs.14-15) Paul's **position** is one of humility.

b. (vs.16-19) Paul's **plea** is for the power to love.

c. (vs.20-21) Paul's **praise** is to God.

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