

The Missional Church Knows Life's Mystery
How Grace Sets You Free
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LIFE'S GREATEST MYSTERY IS LIFE ITSELF.

1) _____ PROVIDED IT? - _____

¹⁵He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. ¹⁶For by him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things were created by him and for him. ¹⁷He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. Colossians 1:15-17

2) _____ SHOULD BE DONE WITH IT? - _____
TO CHRIST

¹⁸And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy. ¹⁹For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, ²⁰and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross. ²¹Once you were alienated from God and were enemies in your minds because of your evil behavior. ²²But now he has reconciled you by Christ's physical body through death to present you holy in his sight, without blemish and free from accusation— ²³if you continue in your faith, established and firm, not moved from the hope held out in the gospel. This is the gospel that you heard and that has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven, and of which I, Paul, have become a servant. ²⁴Now I rejoice in what was suffered for you, and I fill up in my flesh what is still lacking in regard to Christ's afflictions, for the sake of his body, which is the church. Colossians 1:18-24

3) _____ IS IT HARD TO UNDERSTAND? - THE _____
IS HIDDEN IN CHRIST

²⁵I have become its servant by the commission God gave me to present to you the word of God in its fullness— ²⁶the mystery that has been kept hidden for ages and generations, but is now disclosed to the saints. ²⁷To them God has chosen to make known among the Gentiles the glorious riches of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. ²⁸We proclaim him, admonishing and teaching everyone with all wisdom, so that we may present everyone perfect in Christ. ²⁹To this end I labor, struggling with all his energy, which so powerfully works in me. Colossians 1:25-29

WAYS LIFE'S MYSTERY IS REVEALED THROUGH CHRIST:

THE MYSTERY OF CHRIST REVEALED _____ THOSE
WHO BELIEVE.
(COLOSSIANS 1:26)

THE MYSTERY OF CHRIST REVEALED _____ THOSE
WHO BELIEVE.
(COLOSSIANS 1:27)

THE MYSTERY OF CHRIST REVEALED _____ THOSE
WHO BELIEVE.
(COLOSSIANS 1:28-29)

**SIMPLE PRINCIPLE: A WILLING WITNESS + A
SEEKING SOUL = _____**

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