### CHAPTER 21: TODAY, THE CHURCH, THE BODY OF CHRIST

To whom did God first reveal the Mystery of the Church, the Body of Christ? Ephesians 3:3-7; Colossians 1:25-26

Paul

What was Paul's greatest desire? Ephesians 3:10

To Make The Church Known

How do believers get into the Church, the Body of Christ? Ephesians 1:13; 1 Corinthians 12:12-13

- A. Hear the Gospel of Salvation
- B. The Holy Spirit Baptizes the Believer into the Church

Who is the Head of the Church? Ephesians 1:22-23; Ephesians 5:23

Christ

Does Israel have any national priority? 1 Corinthians 12:13; Galatians 3:28

How does God see believers today? Galatians 3:26

As Sons of God

How and why does God want us to respond to others? Romans 15:7

We Are to Accept Other Unconditionally as Christ Unconditionally Accepts Us

What is salvation by? Ephesians 2:8-9

Grace through Faith Alone

What does God want us to do after salvation? Ephesians 2:10
Good Works

# What are we to do with the gospel of grace? 2 Corinthians 5:20 Beseech Others to Be Reconciled to God

Why is it important for us to be ambassadors for Christ? 1 Corinthians 3:13-14

Obedience to Christ and to Receive a Reward

#### SPIRITUAL BLESSINGS

In Christ, believers are unconditionally...

forgiven of all SIN. Colossians 2:13 ACCEPTED in the Beloved. Ephesians 1:6 (KJV) **COMPLETE** in Him. Colossians 2:10 given an INHERITANCE, Ephesians 1:18 made SONS of God. Ephesians 1:5 made SAINTS. Ephesians 1:1 given His LOVE in our hearts. Romans 5:5 given a PURPOSE for living. Romans 8:28-29; 2 Corinthians 4:15-18 are BAPTIZED into the Body of Christ. 1 Corinthians 12:12-13 there are no DISTINCTIONS in the Church. Galatians 3:28 are made new CREATION. 2 Corinthians 5:17 given the Holy Spirit as a SEAL. Ephesians 1:13-14 indwelt by the Holy Spirit until the day of REDEMPTION. 1 Corinthians 6:19; Ephesians 4:30 given power in the INNER man by the Holy Spirit. 2 Corinthians 4:7; Ephesians 3:16 have victory over SIN. Romans 6:14 given a GIFT to serve the Lord. Romans 12:6 have victory over DEATH. 2 Corinthians 5:8-9 given ETERNAL life, Romans 6:23 are given God's never-ending LOVE. Romans 8:39 have THE HOLY SPIRIT to understand the Bible. 1 Corinthians 2:12-15

### THE HOLY SPIRIT IN THE CHURCH

How and when is the Holy Spirit received? Ephesians 1:13-14

The Gospel Is Heard, Believed and the Holy Spirit Is Given upon Belief

Is any other work (something we do) required? Romans 4:5; Ephesians 2:8-9; Titus 3:5-6; 2 Timothy 1:9

No, Not of Works

Why is the Holy Spirit given to believers? 2 Corinthians 5:5

As a Pledge

## What relationship do believers have with God? Romans 8:15-16 Children of God

Where does the Holy Spirit place believers? I Corinthians 12:13

Into the Church, the Body of Christ

This union makes the believer a member of what church? 1 Corinthians 12:27

His Body

Name four ways the indwelling Holy Spirit helps us. 2 Corinthians 4:7

- A. Gives Power
- B Victory over Sin
- C Helps Us Understand the Bible
- D Gives Love

Over what does the Holy Spirit give us power?

Romans 6:6

Old Self

1 Corinthians 2:12-13

Spirit of the World

Romans 5:5

Disappointment

How are we to be led in the Christian life? Romans 8:14

By the Holy Spirit

How do we know we are walking in the Spirit? Ephesians 5:9-11

- A. We Try to Please the Lord in All We Do and Say
- B. Reprove the Works of Darkness (Sin)

What fruit will be evident in our lives when the Holy Spirit is at work in us? Galatians 5:22-23

- A. Love
- B. Joy
- C. Peace
- D. Patience
- E. Kindness
- F. Goodness
- G. Faithfulness
- H. Gentleness
- I. Self-control

How does the Holy Spirit help you study the Bible? John 14:26

- A. Will Teach Us All Things
- B. Call Things to Remembrance

The Holy Spirit doesn't bring attention to Himself. Who does the Holy Spirit glorify? John 16:14

Jesus Christ

When do we experience the power of the Holy Spirit? 2 Corinthians 12:9
When We Are Weak

What did Paul say about his weaknesses? 2 Corinthians 12:9

He Welcomed Weaknesses So He Could Experience Christ's Power

How does the Holy Spirit help us when we pray? Romans 8:26-27

- A. He Intercedes for Us
- B. Answers Are According to God's Will

What does God accomplish with the various circumstances and trials in our lives? Romans 8:28-29

- A. Works it for Good
- B. So We Will Be Conformed to the Image of Jesus Christ

What does the Holy Spirit give believers? Ephesians 4:8

Gifts

Does everyone have the same gifts? Romans 12:6
No

What is the purpose of these gifts? Ephesians 4:12

Equipping the Saints for the Work of the Ministry

What does a fleshly life do to the Holy Spirit? Ephesians 4:30; 1 Thessalonians 5:19
Grieves and Quenches

Describe believers' lives when they are not obeying the Lord. 1 Corinthians 3:3 Fleshly

How does God want believers to be? Ephesians 5:1-2

- A. Believers of God
- B. Walk in Love
- C. Serve Others

How can believers know they are walking in the Spirit?

Ephesians 4:24

Holy

Ephesians 4:25

Speak Truth to all

Ephesians 4:26=27

Forgive Others Unconditionally

Ephesians 4:28

Don't Steal - Be Honest

Ephesians 4:29

Don't Curse

Ephesians 4:31

**Put Away Anger** 

Ephesians 4:32

Be Kind

Ephesians 4:15

Speak the Truth in Love

How does Satan appear? 2 Corinthians 11:14

As an Angel of Light

Is our warfare against people? Ephesians 6:12

No, Against Spiritual Forces of Darkness

Where does warfare against Satan occur? 2 Corinthians 10:5

In Our Minds

What is the goal for believers? 2 Corinthians 10:5

To Bring Our Thinking into Obedience to Christ

Who are we to please? 1 Thessalonians 4:1; Romans 15:1-2

God

Why? Romans 15:3

Christ Didn't Please Himself

How do believers have victory over Satan?

Ephesians 6:13

Resist, Stand Firm in the Faith and Be Obedient to the Bible

Ephesians 6:16

Faith

Ephesians 6:17

The Sword of the Spirit, Which Is the Word of God

How are believers to influence their world for Christ? Ephesians 5:10-12

A. Learn What Pleases God

B. Reprove Evil

Do you know that the Holy Spirit will stay in our lives? Philippians 1:6; Ephesians 4:30 God Will Finish the Work He Has Completed in Us in the Day of Christ (Day of Redemption)