

# The Grapevine

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*Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed rightly dividing the word of truth. II Timothy 2:15*

## The Secrets, Revealed

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There are two ways that something can be kept secret. One way is for someone to deliberately hide something so that no one can find it. The other way is for something to be misplaced or lost. In either case, a secret is hidden and is not evidently plain to see. Of course, there will always be an element of society that will choose not to see something, even when it is in plain view. In the Word of God, there are secrets that were hidden that God opened for all to see, and some that were revealed that ended up getting covered up again.

### Mark 11:23, 24

**For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith. Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them.**

Here is an element of truth that everyone can capitalize on in their life. When we pray, we believe that it is going to come to pass and it will. We act as though it has already happened. Many believe that they must beg and plead with God, but it says to believe that it's happened, and it will happen. God has not hidden this great truth, yet many are surprised to find out about it. This great principle is found in other places in the Word of God.

### Hebrews 11:1

**Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.**

The Amplified Bible translates this verse: NOW FAITH is the assurance (the confirmation, (the title deed) of the things [we] hope for, being the proof of things [we] do not see and the conviction of their reality [faith perceiving as real fact what is not revealed to the senses].

The truth revealed here is, "When you pray, believed that you have received them, and you shall have them."

Another great truth that was revealed by God is spoken of in Romans.

### Romans 16: 25, 26

**Now to him that is of power to stablish you according to my gospel, and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery, which was kept secret since the world began, But now is made manifest, and by the scriptures of the prophets, according to the commandment of the everlasting God, made known to all nations for the obedience of faith.**

What was this mystery?

### Ephesians 3:3-6

**How that by revelation he made known unto me the mystery; (as I wrote afore in few words, Whereby, when ye read, ye may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ). Which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit; That the Gentiles should be fellowheirs, and of the same body, and partakers of his promise in Christ by the gospel.**

The mystery revealed here is that the Gentiles should be fellow heirs and of the same body as the Jews. Wow! How did that come to pass? God raised Jesus from the dead, and then made a golden opportunity available to everyone.

#### **Romans 10:9**

**That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.**

Whether a person is a Jew or Gentile in background, when they confess Jesus as lord and believe that God raised him from the dead, they receive salvation. They become members of the one Body of Christ.

Why do both of these “secrets” remain hidden for many when God made them evidently clear many centuries ago? It is because the god of this world likes to keep people in the dark, and will stop at nothing to blind people from the truth.

#### **II Corinthians 3-4**

**But if our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost: In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them.**

Satan is the chief enemy of God Almighty and Jesus Christ our lord. He endeavors to defame, discredit and destroy anything that would truly benefit God's people. Had he known about the great mystery during the time of Jesus Christ, he never would have killed Jesus. This mystery must be much bigger than we ever thought.

#### **I Corinthians 2:7-8**

**But we speak the wisdom of God in a [or regarding the] mystery, even the hidden wisdom, which God ordained before the world unto our glory: Which none of the princes of this world knew: for had they known it, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory.**

The adversary would not have crucified Jesus if he knew what the mystery was. When Jesus walked on this earth, he could only be at one place at a time, but now everywhere there is a Christian believer, there is Christ!

#### **Colossians 1:26-27**

**Even the mystery which hath been hid from ages and from generations, but now is made manifest to his saints: To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.**

We can deal the same blows to the devil as Christ did when we believe and walk accordingly. We have the power and authority to perform the same things as Jesus Christ did. It is now a matter of believing that we can. The secrets have been revealed. Let's do something about it!

#### **Matthew 10:8**

**Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely ye have received, freely give.**