In Christ - Part 8 - The Mystery of Christ
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Ephesians 3:1-13 English Standard Version

1. In Christ, our sufferings have meaning.

Ephesians 3:1, Philippians 3:2-6, 2 Corinthians 11:23-28, Philippians 1:12-14

How we view and react to circumstances is more important than the circumstances themselves. If all we see is our immediate circumstances, then our circumstances control us.

Romans 8:18, Romans 8:26-28, Romans 8:31-39

2. In Christ, our failures are redeemed for His glory.

Ephesians 3:2-8, Acts 9:1-2

Our failures and sins, and the failures and sins that have been made against us have no power in our lives when we have been redeemed in Christ-

Philippians 3:12-16

In Christ, the mistakes of your past, the hurt you experienced because of the sins of others, no longer have the power to define your identity-

2 Corinthians 5:17, Galatians 2:20, 2 Corinthians 5:17-21

3. In Christ, the church is unified for one purpose.

Ephesians 3:8-10, 1 Corinthians 8:5-6, Colossians 1:15-16

We exist for the purpose of: Exalting Christ
Making Disciples
Equipping the Saints.