

# Understanding Israel

*the Mystery of the Gospel*



# Study Plan – Part 1

- Show what a 'mystery' is in the Biblical context.
- See what's required of us if we want to understand the mystery,
- Help us to see what was happening in the messianic congregation in Rome that caused Paul to reveal his understanding of the mystery
- Show why theologians have missed the meaning of the mystery

## Study Plan – Part 2

- God's purpose for raising up the Kingdom of Israel
- Why it is imperative that the kingdom be restored
- Biblical and historical proof that Israel and Judah have not been joined back together

## Study Plan – Part 3

- If Israel is still under the curse, how can YHVH bring Israel and Judah back together?
  - How can Israel be restored to fellowship?
- Has the restoration begun?

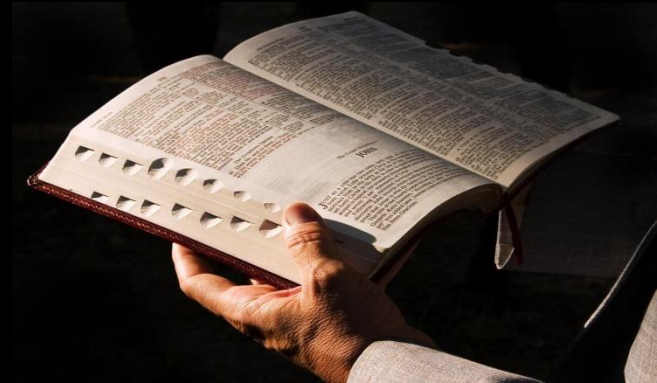
# What is a Biblical Mystery?



**Mystery = musterion (Strong's 3466)**  
**hidden thing, secret**



Mystery = rawz ( רָז – Strong's 7328)



*mistowor* ( מִסְתוֹר – Strong's 4563)

a place of shelter

*sathar* ( סָתַר – Strong's 5641)

to hide or conceal





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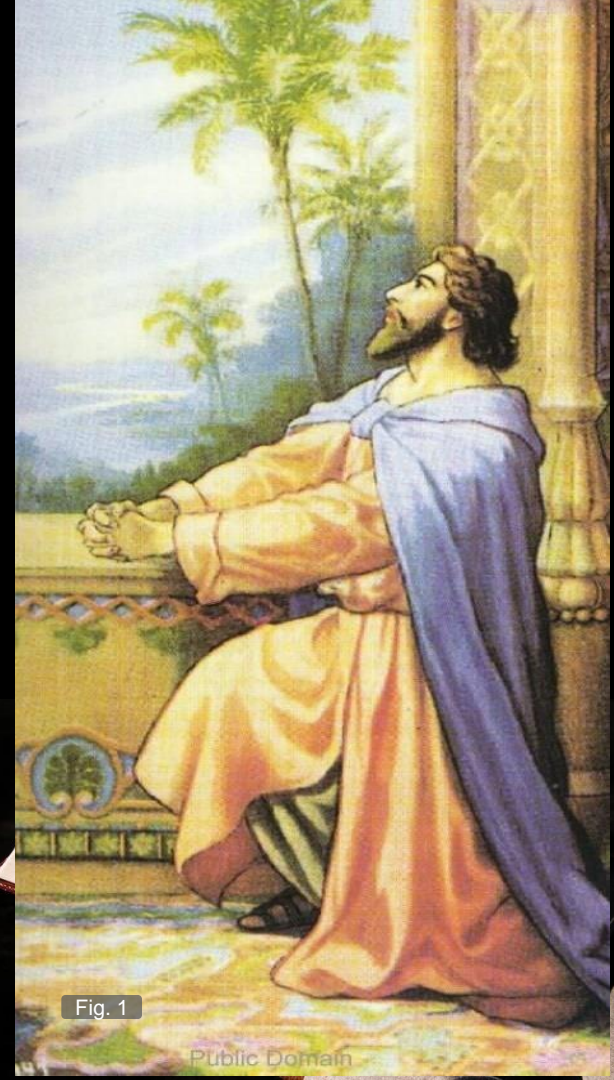
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# How Can We Understand Biblical Mysteries?



## ESV Daniel 12:9-10 ...

"Go your way, Daniel, for the words are shut up and sealed until the time of the end. <sup>10</sup> Many shall purify themselves and make themselves white and be refined, but the wicked shall act wickedly. And none of the wicked shall understand, but those who are wise shall understand."



**NKJ Psalm 119:97-100** Oh, how I love Your law! It *is* my meditation all the day. <sup>98</sup> You, through Your commandments, make me wiser than my enemies; for they *are* ever with me. <sup>99</sup> I have more understanding than all my teachers, for Your testimonies *are* my meditation. <sup>100</sup> I understand more than the ancients, because I keep Your precepts.



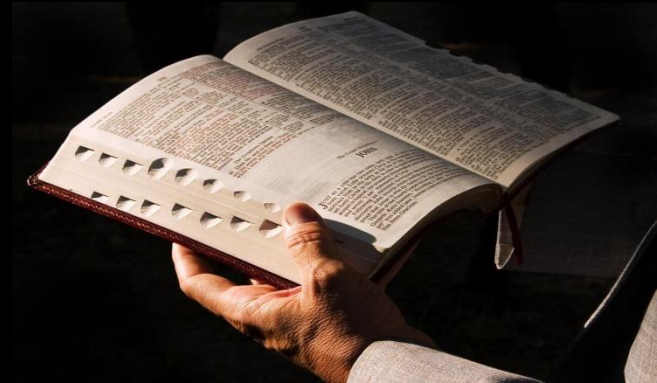
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**NKJ Proverbs 25:2** It is the glory of God to conceal a matter, But the glory of kings is to search out a matter.



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# the Mystery and the Congregation in Rome





**ESV Romans 11:25-26** Lest you be wise in your own conceits, I want you to understand this mystery, brothers: a partial hardening has come upon Israel, until the fullness of the Gentiles has come in. <sup>26</sup> And in this way all Israel will be saved, as it is written, "The Deliverer will come from Zion, he will banish ungodliness from Jacob";

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**NKJ Isa. 6:9-11** And He said, "Go, and tell this people: `Keep on hearing, but do not understand; Keep on seeing, but do not perceive.' <sup>10</sup> "Make the heart of this people dull, And their ears heavy, And shut their eyes; Lest they see with their eyes, And hear with their ears, And understand with their heart, And return and be healed." <sup>11</sup> Then I said, "Lord, how long?" And He answered: "Until the cities are laid waste and without inhabitant, The houses are without a man, The land is utterly desolate ...

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ESV **Matthew 4:23** And he went throughout all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the **gospel of the kingdom** and healing every disease and every affliction among the people.

**NKJ Ephesians 6:17-20** And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God; <sup>18</sup> praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, being watchful to this end with all perseverance and supplication for all the saints -- <sup>19</sup> and for me, that utterance may be given to me, that I may open my mouth boldly to make known the mystery of the gospel, <sup>20</sup> for which I am an ambassador in chains; that in it I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak.

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# Gentile Inclusion?



**ESV Genesis 17:23** Then Abraham took Ishmael his son and all those born in his house or bought with his money, every male among the men of Abraham's house, and he circumcised the flesh of their foreskins that very day, as God had said to him.

**NKJ Exodus 12:48-49** If a stranger shall sojourn with you and would keep the Passover to the LORD, let all his males be circumcised. Then he may come near and keep it; he shall be as a native of the land. But no uncircumcised person shall eat of it. <sup>49</sup> There shall be one law for the native and for the stranger who sojourns among you."

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