



The 12 mysteries of the New Testament

The New Testament uses the term “mystery” to refer to a truth revealed. The mystery is not a problem solved, it’s fresh information provided. So a new Testament mystery is something the Old Testament did not have clear details about. For instance, the indwelling of the Believer. The Prophets were certainly told that Messiah would come, but it was not made clear to them that one day his Holy Spirit would actually come and dwell inside the believer! Our heart would become his home. This is revealed in the New Testament.

Why a tree? Because you can get the big picture of a tree, but miss little details when standing far away. The Old Testament gave us the general outline of God’s Work. But it’s not until the New Testament that we see the details of how God would accomplish the redemption of the world.

1. Mystery of the kingdom of heaven. (Mark 4:11)

2. Mystery of the rapture. (1 Cor. 15:51) One day many will get to heaven without dying. We will be translated without death. Bodies will be made new on the spot!

3. Mystery of the church as Christ body. (Eph. 1:10)
4. Mystery of the church as Christ Bride. (Eph. 3:3, 4, 6, 9. Eph. 5:32)
5. Mystery of the indwelling of Christ. (Col. 1:26, 27.)
6. Mystery of incarnate Christ. (Col. 2:2, 1 Cor. 2:7) God became flesh. Has a body.
7. Mystery of Godliness. (1 Tim. 3:16) How can Jesus be both God and man all the time?
8. Mystery of Iniquity. (2 Thess. 2:7) Satan is restrained by the Holy Spirit.
9. Mystery of Israel's present blindness. (Rom 11:25)
10. Mystery of the 7 stars. (Rev. 1:20).
11. Mystery of Babylon the Harlot. (Rev. 17:5)
12. The mystery of God. (Rev. 10:7) Why has God allowed evil to enter into this world.