

The Great Mystery Solved

1 Timothy 3:16

1 Timothy: Living Love in the Local Church, part 10

- It is impossible not to hear in Paul's statement an echo of the Ephesian city's bold claim that riotous day when the people cried for two hours: "_____ of the Ephesians!" (Acts 19:27,28,34,35)
- The great mystery of godliness is revealed and solved, not in idols of stone but in the _____ of Jesus Christ: Col. 4:3 speaks of the "mystery of Christ." (See also Col. 1:28-29; 1 Cor. 4:2; Eph.3:1-10; 6:19)
- It seems best to see this ancient hymn fragment with _____ stanzas containing three statements in each stanza. That God...

1. Was manifest in the flesh
2. Was justified in the Spirit
3. Was seen of angels

1. Was preached unto the Gentiles
2. Was believed on in the world
3. Was received up into glory

1. His _____ to Earth, v.16a

A. The _____ of His Incarnation: "God was manifest in the flesh"

B. The _____ by the Holy Spirit: "justified in the Spirit"

Romans 1:4: And declared to be the Son of God with power, according to the Spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead: (Jesus Christ our LORD). (Ephesians 1:18-20)

C. The _____ by angels: "seen of angels"

Acts 1:11; ...this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen Him go into heaven.

2. His _____ upon Earth, v.16b

- These last three lines emphasize the victorious results of His ministry:

A. His _____ by earthly men: “preached unto the Gentiles”

B. His _____ by the world, “believed on in the world”

C. His _____ into heaven, “received up into glory.”

