

# CHART: MYSTERIES AND COVENANTS

## HOW THEY COME TOGETHER IN SCRIPTURE

*“Consider what I say; and the Lord give thee understanding in all things.”*

*~ 2 Timothy 1:7*

### 1. Covenants

- a. The NT books fulfill the covenant promises of the OT - twelve/kingdom
- b. A covenant with David promised a 1) seed, 2) house/kingdom, 3) forever
- c. A covenant with Moses 1) laws to bless, 2) laws to judge, 3) laws of a nation
- d. A covenant with Fathers 1) a seed 2) circumcised/cut off 3) to bless the world
- e. A covenant with Abram 1) a seed 2) to bless the world
- f. A promise w/Adam 1) a seed 2) to defeat Satan

### 2. The Covenant Gospel

- a. These covenants point to one nation, one family, one man
- b. The covenant gospels would include the name of Christ, kingdom, Israel.
- c. Jesus Christ is at the center of these covenants/promises - Christocentric
- d. *“there is only one gospel!”* comes from that the covenants point to Christ.

### 3. Revealed Mystery

- a. Each progressive covenant revealed more about the covenanted object.
- b. The new covenant was revealed that it would replace the old - Jer 31:31, Heb 8:13
- c. Jesus gave it to Israel (no, the 12) to know the mysteries of the kingdom - Mt 13:11
- d. The things “revealed belong to us and our children” - Deu 29:29, Rom 9:4-5

### 4. The Mystery of Christ

- a. There are 13 epistles not written by the twelve about the name, kingdom, Israel.
- b. The mystery revealed to him was kept secret - Rom 16:25, 1 Cor 2:7
- c. It concerned the mystery of his will - Eph 1:9-10
- d. A dispensation given to him (not a covenant) - Eph 3:1-9
- e. It fulfills the word of God - Col 1:25-26
- f. A purpose revealed for us from before the world began - 2 Tim 1:9-10
- g. This mystery concerned a new creature (no Jew, nation, kingdom, circumcision)

### 5. Preaching Christ According to the Mystery Revealed

- a. Adam - message of reconciliation one new man, last Adam, gospel of Christ! 2 Cor 5
- b. Abram - righteousness by faith - the gospel of the uncircumcision! Rom 4:9, Gal 2:7
- c. Fathers (circumcision) no confidence in the flesh - Rom 4:11, Phi 3:3
- d. Moses - not under the law, dead to it, but not without service - Rom 6:14
- e. David - raised from the dead according to my gospel - 2 Tim 2:8
- f. Preaching Christ acc. to the mystery is greater, more excellent, the eternal purpose!
- g. Jesus is still at the center, but now he is above all, through all, in all - Eph 3:18, 4:6