## **Baldwin Hills Baptist Church**

Sunday, February 11, 2024 Sermon Scriptures

Eph. 3:1-6 1 ¶ For this reason I, Paul, the prisoner of Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles — 2 if indeed you have heard of the stewardship of God's grace which was given to me for you; 3 that by revelation there was made known to me the mystery, as I wrote before in brief. 4 By referring to this, when you read you can understand my insight into the mystery of Christ, 5 which in other generations was not made known to the sons of men, as it has now been revealed to His holy apostles and prophets in the Spirit; 6 to be specific, that the Gentiles are fellow heirs and fellow members of the body, and fellow partakers of the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel,

**Eph. 3:9-11** 9 and to bring to light what is the administration of the mystery which for ages has been hidden in God who created all things; 10 so that the manifold wisdom of God might now be made known through the church to the rulers and the authorities in the heavenly *places*. 11 *This was* in accordance with the eternal purpose which He carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord,

Acts 2:32, 33 32 "This Jesus God raised up again, to which we are all witnesses.
33 "Therefore having been exalted to the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, He has poured forth this which you both see and hear.

Acts 5:30, 31 30 "The God of our fathers raised up Jesus, whom you had put to death by hanging Him on a cross. 31 "He is the one whom God exalted to His right hand as a Prince and a Savior, to grant repentance to Israel, and forgiveness of sins.

<u>Matt. 28:18</u> And Jesus came up and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth.

<u>Phil. 2:9-11 9</u> For this reason also, God highly exalted Him, and bestowed on Him the name which is above every name, <u>10</u> so that at the name of Jesus EVERY KNEE WILL BOW, of those who are in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <u>11</u> and that every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

<u>Heb. 1:8</u> But of the Son *He says,* "YOUR THRONE, O GOD, IS FOREVER AND EVER, AND THE RIGHTEOUS SCEPTER IS THE SCEPTER OF HIS KINGDOM.

**Phil. 3:20** For our citizenship is in heaven, from which also we eagerly wait for a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ;

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- Acts 26:17, 18 17 rescuing you from the *Jewish* people and from the Gentiles, to whom I am sending you, 18 to open their eyes so that they may turn from darkness to light and from the dominion of Satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and an inheritance among those who have been sanctified by faith in Me.'
- <u>Col. 1:13</u> For He rescued us from the domain of darkness, and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son,
- <u>Luke 18:17</u> "Truly I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child will not enter it *at all*."
- <u>John 3:3, 5, 7</u> Jesus answered and said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God." <u>5</u> Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. <u>7</u> "Do not be amazed that I said to you, 'You must be born again.'
- <u>1 Thess. 2:12</u> so that you would walk in a manner worthy of the God who calls you into His own kingdom and glory.

Matt. 25:34 ¶ "Then the King will say to those on His right, 'Come, you who are blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.

<u>Rev. 20:6</u> Blessed and holy is the one who has a part in the first resurrection; over these the second death has no power, but they will be priests of God and of Christ and will reign with Him for a thousand years.

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- <u>1 Cor. 15:51-58</u> Behold, I tell you a mystery; we will not all sleep, but we will all be changed,
- <u>52</u> in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet; for the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed.
- <u>53</u> For this perishable must put on the imperishable, and this mortal must put on immortality.
- <u>54</u> But when this perishable will have put on the imperishable, and this mortal will have put on immortality, then will come about the saying that is written, "DEATH IS SWALLOWED UP in victory.
- **55** "O DEATH, WHERE IS YOUR VICTORY? O DEATH, WHERE IS YOUR STING?"
- **<u>56</u>** The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law;
- <u>1 Cor. 15:57</u> but thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

- 58 ¶ Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your toil is not *in* vain in the Lord.
- <u>1 Thess. 4:13-18</u> ¶ But we do not want you to be uninformed, brethren, about those who are asleep, so that you will not grieve as do the rest who have no hope.
- <u>14</u> For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so God will bring with Him those who have fallen asleep in Jesus.
- 15 For this we say to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive and remain until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep.
- <u>16</u> For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of *the* archangel and with the trumpet of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first.
- <u>17</u> Then we who are alive and remain will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we shall always be with the Lord.
- **18** Therefore comfort one another with these words.