

The Mysteries from Paul *The Mystery of Lawlessness*

- I.** The mysteries of Paul are for Christian maturing and are not in the Old Testament (Rom. 16:25-27; Eph. 3:9-10; Col. 1:26; 1 Cor. 2:6-7).
1. The Mystery Gospel for Maturing (Rom. 16:25-27; cf. Heb. 7:19).
 2. The Mystery Dispensation (Eph. 3:2-3).
 3. The Mystery concerning The Christ as a New Creation (Eph. 3:3-4; 1 Cor. 12:12).
- II.** The Mystery of Lawlessness (2 Thes. 2:6-7).
1. God knows the exact timing of future events (Heb. 11:36-37).
 2. The Rapture is the next event on God's prophetic calendar that has been revealed in Scripture: "we" (1 Cor. 15:51-52; 1 Thes. 4:15, 17).
 3. The Holy Spirit is currently resident on earth for the Church (Jn. 14:26; 15:26; 16:7; Acts 2:33).
 4. When the Church leaves earth, the 70th Week of Danuel will soon begin. The Old Testament resumes for seven years. The Holy Spirit will no longer be resident on earth.
 5. The Man of Sin, who is lawless, will be revealed after the Rapture (2 Thes. 2:1-9).
- III.** The Mystery of Lawlessness teaches the Christian:
1. God is in charge.
 2. The Church will not go through the Tribulation.
 3. To avoid identifying the "mark of the beast" (Rev. 13:16).
 4. To avoid identifying the Man of Sin.
 5. To avoid worrying about the future time of catastrophic judgment.
 6. To avoid worrying about, climate change, corrupt governments, World War III, or any future event.