

Church: Vehicle of God's Glory

Ephesians 3:1–13

[Paul's Ministry; Church's Ministry]

Sunday, August 10, 2025 - Pastor Patrick Ransom

SERMON OUTLINE

SERMON NOTES

I. PARADOX OF MINISTRY

- A. Paul: prisoner of Caesar vs. prisoner of **Christ** (3:1)
- B. Paul: expecting tribulation vs. experiencing divine revelation (3:2–3, 13)
- C. Paul: "less than the least of all the saints" vs. engrafted & empowered for ministry (3:4–9)

II. PARADIGM OF MINISTRY

- A. God: uses those in any **situation** (prisoner)
- B. God: uses those in any status (the least)

III. PURPOSE OF MINISTRY

- A. God on display to the cosmos through the Church (3:10)
- B. God's eternal purpose furthered: the consummation of all things in Christ (3:11)
- C. Ministry undertaken confidently (3:12)

IV. VALUE GOD'S PURPOSE IN YOU!

- A. How do we value our spiritual gifts (or the gifts of others) in the edification of the body?



NEXT WEEK:
Church: Conformed, Loved, Filled
Ephesians 3:14–21