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Paul writes to Timothy saying that his testimony concerning the "mystery of Godliness" is incontrovertible or "without controversy". Men may rage against it but there is no scenario where it can be disproved since it is the very essence of TRUTH. It matters not that some will not believe it, or that some will imagine a vain thing. The LORD has spoken and has sent messengers into the world to proclaim that Gospel which declares the glory of the blessed GOD. HE has set HIS KING upon ZION. "The Lord gave the word: great was the company of those that published it." saying "Thy GOD reigneth" This "mystery of Godliness", describes that which has now been unfolded in CHRIST. It is that mystery which was kept hid from the foundation of the world but is now made manifest to the saints of GOD as it hath pleased HIM. Paul is an example of one of those saints who spent the first years of his adult life engaged in a controversy concerning this MAN JESUS of Nazareth. He raged against the LIGHT and kicked against the pricks with all of his might, supposing his own intellect to be greater than the TRUTH. But on the Damascus road, all of that "controversy" which dominated his thought, was dispelled by a LIGHT which caused him to cry out "who art THOU LORD?". No longer, did he dwell in darkness for HE who formed the light and created the darkness, called him, and he answered; and thus ended the controversy that plagued him.

The end of controversy comes to the sons of GOD as the gospel of JESUS CHRIST is declared and they embrace its TRUTH, falling down at the feet of CHRIST and clinging unto HIM, as a drowning man to a life preserver, even as Peter testified, "Lord, to whom shall we go? thou hast the words of eternal life." Therefore we read the tenets of this gospel which Paul preached to Timothy, which cannot be questioned by those who believe.

"GOD was manifest in the flesh". It is impossible that man should ever come unto GOD who dwells in the light to which no man can approach. But GOD, in a display of HIS mercy and kindness has appeared unto men in the likeness of sinful flesh for sin. JESUS CHRIST, born of a woman, is the fullness of the GODHEAD bodily. It is in this body that HE did come as an offering for sin, that HE might make atonement for the sins of HIS people, according to the demands of HIS holy and immutable law; and having laid down HIS life, by the shedding of HIS blood, did indeed obtain eternal redemption for them.

HE was "justified in the SPIRIT". The use of the term "justified", here, literally means to "render, or have regard to righteousness". The SPIRIT of GOD continually testified of HIS acceptance with GOD as that perfect MAN who went about doing good and performing HIS FATHER's will as HE walked upon the earth. "And straightway coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens opened, and the Spirit like a dove descending upon him: And there came a voice from heaven, saying, Thou art my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased." The SPIRIT continues this work even now as HE testifies to the sons of GOD of HIS station as their GREAT MEDIATOR and REDEEMER.; worthy of all praise.

HE was "seen of angels". "For he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways. They shall bear thee up in their hands, lest thou dash thy foot against a stone." They were appointed to this ministry even though unable to fully grasp the full measure of that which HE undertook. In the ages to come they shall testify of HIS glory alongside those whom HE has redeemed from sin and death.

HE was "preached among the Gentiles". Paul says this is that mystery which was hidden from the beginning of the world, "That the Gentiles should be fellowheirs, and of the same body, and partakers of his promise in Christ by the gospel." "And when the Gentiles heard this, they were glad, and glorified the word of the Lord: and as many as were ordained to eternal life believed."

HE was "believed on in the world". "But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God."

HE was "received up into glory". "While they beheld, he was taken up; and a cloud received him out of their sight." "Salvation to our God which sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb." This is the song of the redeemed, without controversy. Do you rejoice in the unfolding of this grand mystery of GODLINESS? JESUS CHRIST the only begotten SON of GOD has declared it in the earth and has demonstrated HIS utter triumph over all of HIS enemies. May we be given grace to praise HIM forever. Do you believe on HIS NAME?

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