

Personal Application and Conversations

1. What is a mystery that took place in your life that never was solved?
2. How is the mystery of Godliness different from that unsolved mystery?
3. What does the Law, grace, and godliness all have to do with each other?
4. What is one method that you have invented to keep you from sinning?
5. Now how often is that method working for you?
6. What's your motivation to stop sinning, is it a love for God or self?
7. Who is one person you have hung out with that dramatically influenced you in your life?
8. Does spending time with the right people impact you to do better in life?
9. If Jesus is not part of that time, why isn't He?



The Mystery

1 Timothy 3:2-6, 16

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APPLICATION

Mysteries are normally hidden and take a while to be revealed. They can reveal some great truths or some hard ones. The mystery of Godliness can be misunderstood to be a Gnostic spiritual secret that only the holy people in church know about it. That couldn't be any further from the truth. Thanks to Jesus one can grow to be like Christ. This mystery was revealed In Christ for us all.

For our church

Principals

Principal 1: we need to be fully following Christ, not looking back at our sin.

Principal 2: For the people in the church to mature they first need mature leaders.

Principal 3: The mystery of how one can go from the state of sin to be a follower of God's law is in the person and work of Jesus Christ.

For you

Principal 4: Paul is saying to Timothy. There is no secret mystery to becoming Godly, it can only come through being in a relationship with Jesus Christ.

Principal 5: Godliness is not attained by your working as much it is attained through Christ working in your life.

Principle 6: In your sin, Christ always is the way of escape.

Principal 7: God's word is the primary way we kill sin in our lives and spend time with Christ.