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Colossians 1:25-27 *I became a minister according to the divine office, which was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, the mystery hidden for ages and generations but now made manifest to his saints. To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.*

*I became a servant of the church according to the stewardship from God- given to me for you- in order to complete the word of God, that is, the mystery that has been kept hidden from ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. God wanted to make known to them the glorious riches of this mystery among the Gentiles, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. NET*

*I have been appointed to serve the church in the position of responsibility, entrusted to me by God, for your benefit, so that I may fully deliver the Word of God, the truth that has been hidden for all ages and generations, but has now been revealed to his saints to whom it was his will to make known how vast a wealth of glory for the Gentile world is implied in this reality - the truth that Christ is in you, the hope of glory. Weymouth*

1. Word of God
  - a. Hebrews 11:3
  - b. I John 1:1, 14
  - c. I Thessalonians 2:13
  - d. Mark 13:31
  - e. Revelation 19:3
2. Truth came in Christ that had never been revealed before
  - a. Hidden - mystery - unknown especially to Israel - God's eternal plan
  - b. The issue is God himself - not the causes about that God - His word is His self
3. God is!
  - a. He is the only true "LIFE" - all others live because of/from him (John 5:25-27)
  - b. He (God) is self-defined -
  - c. All else exists because of his will.
4. God is always greater than my grasp
5. God chooses when and what to reveal - that revelation is John 1:14, 18
6. Jesus is the ultimate become the present. He is subject, predicate, and direct object.
7. Our glory is found in our centering on life in him - for him - through him, to him.
8. Christ in you - this is Christian Good News - theology.
9. God chose to reveal his being in Jesus - he is the divine sermon - he is the sacrament.
10. Of this I became a minister - you became a minister - we became men of "HOPE".
11. Ages and Generations