**Great is the mystery of godliness – 1 Tim 3:16**

*By common confession, great is the mystery of godliness: He who was revealed in the flesh*

Jesus Christ was revealed to the world when He was born into the world

***He who was revealed = made visible – what was hidden or unknown – in the flesh***

Today we read the Gospel of John to see the great mystery of Jesus Christ revealed in the flesh

***Focal Truth: Jesus Christ revealed in the flesh is the great mystery of godliness***

***Observations***

1. **Jesus Christ was revealed in flesh - the Light of the world – John 1:4,9**

*In Him was life, and the life was the Light of men John 1:4*

1. Jesus Christ was revealed in the flesh as the Light **that gives life to those who are dead in sin**
2. Jesus Christ was revealed in the flesh as the Light **that gives spiritual life to all those who believe in Him**
3. Jesus Christ was revealed in the flesh as the Light **that overpowers the darkness of the evil world**

*The Light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it: overpower it John 1:5*

1. Jesus Christ was revealed in the flesh as the Light **that gives spiritual knowledge to those who believe in Him**

*There was the true Light which coming into the world, enlightens every man John 1:9*

1. **Jesus Christ was revealed in the flesh - the world did not recognize Him – John 1:10**

*He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him*

1. Jesus Christ was born into the world – **growing up in the world**

*He grew in wisdom and statue with God and man*

1. Jesus Christ lived in the world that He created
2. Jesus Christ lived in the world & the world did not know Him
3. **Jesus Christ was revealed in the flesh - filled with grace & truth – John 1:14,16**

*The Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, and we saw His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth*

1. Jesus Christ the eternal Word of God **became a man and lived among men**

*The Word became flesh, and dwelt among us…*

1. Jesus Christ’s glory as the eternal Word of God **was recognized by His followers**

*we saw His glory, glory as the only begotten from the Father…*

1. Jesus Christ the eternal Word of God **is the grace filled – truth filled One**

*full of grace and truth…*

1. Whoever believes in Jesus Christ **receives His grace for life**

*for of His fullness we have all received, and grace upon grace John 1:16*

1. **Jesus Christ was revealed in the flesh - explaining who God is – John 1:18**

*No one has seen God at any time; the only begotten God who is in the bosom of the Father, He has explained Him*

1. Jesus Christ the Son of God **in the flesh revealed the unseen eternal God**

*No one has seen God at any time;*

1. Jesus Christ the Son of God **in the flesh has explained who the unseen God is**

*the only begotten God who is in the bosom of the Father, He has explained Him*

* Jesus Christ is the eternal Son of God – only begotten Son is God
* Jesus Christ the eternal Son of God has explained – exegeted who God is

**Things to Remember and Do**

1. **Come to Jesus Christ the Light of the world – John 3:21**

*But he who practices the truth comes to the Light, so that his deeds may be manifested as having been wrought in God*

1. **Walk in the Light of Jesus Christ and live in Him – John 8:12**

*Jesus said, I am the Light of the world, he who follows Me will not walk in the darkness, but will have the Light of life*

1. **Jesus Christ gives grace for life to all who believe in Him – Eph. 2:8**

*For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God*

1. **Listen & obey the words of Jesus Christ – John 13:17**

*If you know these things you are blessed if you do them*

***By common confession, great is the mystery of godliness, He who was revealed in the flesh***

***To the praise of the glory of His grace! The Lord is near to the door! Come Lord Jesus!***