**3** For this reason I, Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus on behalf of you Gentiles—

**2** assuming that you have heard of the stewardship of God's grace that was given to me for you, **3** how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I have written briefly. **4** When you read this, you can perceive my insight into   
 the mystery of Christ,   
 **5** which was not made known to the sons of men in other generations as it has now been  
 revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit.   
 **6** This mystery is that the Gentiles are fellow heirs,   
 members of the same body, and  
 partakers of the promise in Christ Jesus   
 through the gospel.

**7** Of this gospel I was made a minister   
 according to the gift of God's grace,   
 which was given me by the working of his power.   
**8** To me, though I am the very least of all the saints,   
 this grace was given, to preach to the Gentiles   
 the unsearchable riches of Christ,   
 **9** and   
 to bring to light for everyone what is the plan of the mystery   
 hidden for ages in God,   
 who created all things,  **10** so that through the church the manifold wisdom of God might now be made known   
 to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places.   
 **11** This was according to the eternal purpose that he has realized   
 in Christ Jesus our Lord,   
 **12** in whom we have boldness and access with confidence through our faith in him.   
**13** So I ask you not to lose heart over what I am suffering for you, which is your glory.

**14** For this reason I bow my knees before the Father,   
 **15** from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named,   
 **16** that according to the riches of his glory   
 he may grant you to be strengthened with power   
 through his Spirit in your inner being,   
 **17** so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—  
 that you, being rooted and grounded in love,   
 **18** may have strength to comprehend with all the saints   
 what is the breadth   
 and length   
 and height   
 and depth,   
 **19** and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge,   
 that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

**20** Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, **21** to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

God is:

Able  
Able to do  
Able to do what we ask  
Able to do what we think  
Able to do what we ask or think  
Able to do *all* that we ask or think  
Able to do *above all* that we ask or think  
Able to do *abundantly above all* that we ask or think  
Able to do *exceedingly abundantly above all* that we ask or think