



## LIFE GROUP

### Week beginning 6th November 2022



#### Aim of session:

How does Paul understand the Gospel? How does that affect us?

#### Key Scriptures

If you have access to a commentary read some background to get context.

**ROMANS 16:25-27**      **ROMANS 1:1-5**

#### Warm Up

Sum up the Gospel in 4 words

#### Thinking it through: Main discussion/activity

What are the surprising things in the passage? What is new? What don't you really understand? This could be a time to discuss and share reflections and ideas on the passage or watch a Bible project type video that helps explain things.

**Read both passages.**

1. What are the similarities between them? Why has Paul done this?
2. What is Paul's role?
3. How does Paul describe the Gospel? (16:25, 1:2-4)
4. What does Paul mean when he uses the word "mystery" (v25NIV)? Where has this mystery been hidden? <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gmnSnNC8UJk> if you can, watch this.
5. How might knowing the Gospel change us? (16:26 1:4)
6. How does God receive glory? (16:27) How does it happen?

#### Growing in discipleship: Practical application

7. If the Gospel is Jesus, how might that influence our attitude to economics, politics, war and major life events that happen?
8. When we discover Jesus as Lord, how might that strengthen us? How do we grow in the power of the Gospel?
9. If God's nature is totally reliable as scripture suggests, does that make obedience to His word easier? Why do we sometimes find it challenging? (Think Adam and Eve)
10. How does your life give glory to God? Have you seen it in other people? If appropriate, share a testimony.



Try to leave 15-20 mins to talk about prayer needs of the group and to pray.

We want to encourage the development of prayer, to help everyone grow in confidence in praying. There are many creative ways of praying together: writing prayers, using candles as a focus, reading prayers or praying for each other in pairs.