Eph 3:10"...to the intent that now unto the principalities and the powers in the heavenly (places) might be made known through the church the manifold wisdom of God"

- Angels interest in God's redemptive plan. 1 Pet. 1:12; Lk. 15:7, 10
- Angels witness what occurs among men. 1 Cor. 4:9; cf. Heb. 12:22

#### How God Saves Men.

- Jesus left the glory of heaven to become flesh. Phil. 2:5-7; Heb. 2:9-16
- Jesus tempted, yet without sin. Heb. 4:15
- Jesus shed his blood for our redemption. Rom. 3:19-26; Rev. 5:9; 1 Pet. 1:18-19; 1 Cor. 6:20
- Eternal plan and purpose of God. 2 Tim. 1:9; Eph. 3:11

#### What God Can Do With Sin Defiled Men.

- All have sinned (Rom. 3:23) and worthy of death. (Rom. 6:23)
- Murderers ask for help. Acts 2:37
- Sorcerers repent. Acts 8:13, 24; Acts 19
- Fornicators, adulterers, effeminate, homosexuals, thieves, covetous, drunkards, revilers changed into saints. 1 Cor. 6:9-11
- Carnal men become spiritual. 1 Cor. 2-3; Gal. 6:1
- "Chiefest of sinners" turned into an apostle. 1 Tim. 1:13-16; cf. Acts 22:20

Jews and Gentiles Reconciled To God In One Body. Eph. 2:16

• Wall of alienation broken down. Cf. Col. 2:14-16

#### The Beginning Of The Church.

- Foretold by the prophets.
  - When? "These kings..."Dan. 2:44
  - Where? "Jerusalem..." Isa. 2:2-4
- Foretold by John the Baptist. Mt. 3:2
- Foretold by Jesus. Mt. 4:17; Mk. 1:16-17; 9:1; Lk. 24:47; Lk. 24:44ff; Acts 1:6-8;
- Fulfilled. Acts 2:1-4,47; 11:15

# The Spreading Of The Gospel.

• Jesus selected the apostles, to carry the gospel to the world.

Mk. 16:15-16;

Note: Acts 4:13

- 3,000 -Acts 2:41
- 5,000 -Acts 4:4
- "Multitudes" -Acts 5:14; 6:7
- Everywhere -Acts 8:4; 11:19-20; Cf. Col. 1:23

#### The Organization Of The Church.

- Each local church autonomous. Acts 14:23; 20:28; 1 Pet. 5:2
- Plurality of elders. Phil. 1:1
  - Qualifications. 1 Tim. 3:1-7; Tit. 1:5-9
- Deacons. Phil. 1:1
  - Qualifications. 1 Tim. 3:8-13
- God's prevention of apostasy.

- Worship. Jno. 4:24
- Morality. Eph. 4-5
- Consummation. 1 Cor. 15:24; Eph. 5:23-27

• If the angels praise divine wisdom and glorify Him when they see the church, how much more should we!!!