

HOPE

The complete depth and _____ of Christmas
was a mystery for generations.

Even the _____ had no idea how or why God would
unfold it all, in His perfect timing.

God not only reveals His plan of good news,
but he displays His _____ to us.

The Wonder of His Divine Mystery:

We can only know as much as He _____ with us.

Praise be to the name of God for ever and ever; wisdom and power are His. ²¹ He changes times and seasons; He deposes kings and raises up others. He gives wisdom to the wise and knowledge to the discerning. ²² He reveals deep and hidden things; He knows what lies in darkness, and light dwells with Him.

*²⁸ but there is a God in heaven who reveals mysteries. ...
Daniel 2:20-22 & 28*

The details are often revealed in _____.

*And he swore by him who lives for ever and ever, who created the heavens and all that is in them, the earth and all that is in it, and the sea and all that is in it, and said, "There will be no more delay!" ⁷ But in the days when the seventh angel is about to sound his trumpet, the **mystery of God will be accomplished**, just as He announced to His servants the prophets. Revelation 10:6-7*

The extent of it's impact is beyond your _____.

*Now to Him who is able to establish you in accordance with my gospel, the message I proclaim about Jesus Christ, in keeping with the revelation of the **mystery hidden for long ages past**, ²⁶ but now revealed and made known through the prophetic writings by the command of the eternal God, so that all the Gentiles might come to the obedience that comes from faith—²⁷ to the only wise God be glory forever through Jesus Christ! Amen. Romans 16:25-27*

There is HOPE because there is no one who has to
remain _____ His care.

He says: "It is too small a thing for you to be my servant to restore the tribes of Jacob and bring back those of Israel I have kept. I will also make you a light for the Gentiles, that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth." Isaiah 49:6

*But whenever anyone turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away.
2 Corinthians 3:16*

There is HOPE because God wants to come
_____ our lives.

But if Christ is in you, then even though your body is subject to death because of sin, the Spirit gives life because of righteousness. ¹¹ And if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies because of His Spirit who lives in you. Romans 8:10-11

*Examine yourselves to see whether you are in the faith; test yourselves. Do you not realize that Christ Jesus is in you ... ?
2 Corinthians 13:5*

There is HOPE because He desires to bless us
with all His _____. (qualities)

*Or do you think lightly of the riches of His kindness and restraint and patience, not knowing that the kindness of God leads you to repentance?
Romans 2:4 NASB*

*Oh, the depth of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable His judgments, and His paths beyond tracing out!
Romans 11:33*

Optional Readings:

Notice that the Glory of God is sometimes seen in or after difficult times.

Luke 2^{9, 14, 32} 9^{26 & 32} 19³⁸ 21²⁷ 24²⁶
John 1¹⁴ 8^{50 & 54} 9²⁴ 11^{4 & 40} 12⁴¹ 14¹³ 15⁸ 16¹⁴ 17^{4, 5, 10, 22, 24}