

Ephesians 3:6a Discussion Questions

Please feel free to use the questions below for group discussion or individual study and reflection after listening to the audio and reading the notes. We trust the Holy Spirit will guide you in how to use them effectively. Please let us know if there are other resources or ways we can support you. Thank you for joining us on this journey and for pursuing truth.

1. Lets consider the phrases “fellow heirs,” “fellow partakers,” and “fellow members.” What do they mean? How are they similar? How are they different? (Look up these references for help.)

Acts 13:32

Eph. 2:6

2. Do you think Paul is saying that the unconditional promises made to the physical Jewish nation will instead be fulfilled for the church?

To answer that, let’s look at the promises God made to Abraham in Genesis 15:18, then Genesis 12:1-3 & 13:14.

Why do you think the distinction is important?

3. In verse 7, Paul says he was “made a minister,” implying that he did not claim the role himself. Did Paul claim his ministry for himself? (1Corinthians 15:10) How might that cause you to rest in Christ the next time you’re serving people?

Digging Deeper:

The following Scriptures contain promises made to Israel or individual Jews. Which ones have been fulfilled and which ones have not?

(Genesis 17:1-14, 22:15-18, 26:2-5, 28:13-15, Deuteronomy 30:1-10, 2Samuel 7:16, 1Chronicles 17:10-14, Jeremiah 31:31-34)

When do you think those will be completely fulfilled? Can you think of other promises made to Israel that have not yet been fulfilled?