



**THE
MYSTERY
AND MAJESTY
OF CHRIST**

**JOY IN SUFFERING.
COLOSSIANS • 1:24-29**



PRAYER

V24: Rejoicing in Suffering

“Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am filling up what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church”

Referenced Verses: Romans 5:3-5; Philippians 3:10;
1 Peter 4:13

V25: A minister: To make God's word known.

“of which I became a minister according to the stewardship from God that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known”

Referenced Verses: Ephesians 3:7-9;
1 Corinthians 9:17; Acts 20:24

V26: The mystery now revealed

“the mystery hidden for ages and generations but now revealed to his saints.”

Referenced Verses: Ephesians 3:4-6; Romans 16:25-26;
1 Corinthians 2:7-10

V27: Christ in you: The hope of Glory

To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.

Referenced Verses: Galatians 2:20; Ephesians 3:17;
John 17:23

V28: Proclaiming Christ for spiritual growth

Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

Referenced Verses: Matthew 28:19-20; 2 Timothy 2:15;
2 Timothy 3:16-17

V29: The toil of the power of Christ

For this I toil, struggling with all his energy that he powerfully works within me.

Referenced Verses: Ephesians 1:19; Philippians 4:13;
1 Corinthians 15:10

A pair of hands is shown clasped in a prayer position, with fingers pointing upwards. The hands are rendered in a detailed, almost woodcut style, with visible skin texture and shading. They are positioned in the center of the frame. Behind the hands is a large, stylized rose with deep red and purple petals. The entire scene is set against a background of flowing, wavy blue fabric that creates a sense of movement and depth. The lighting is dramatic, highlighting the hands and the rose against the darker blue background.

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