

Ephesians

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The Three W's

- The Will of the Father (1:3-6)
- The Work of the Son (1:7-11)
- The Witness of the Spirit (1:12-14),



Mystery

The Mystery in Ephesians.

A | 1: 9. *The mystery of His Will—a dispensation—which he purposed.*

B | 3: 3. *The mystery.*

C | 3: 4. *The mystery of Christ—my knowledge.*

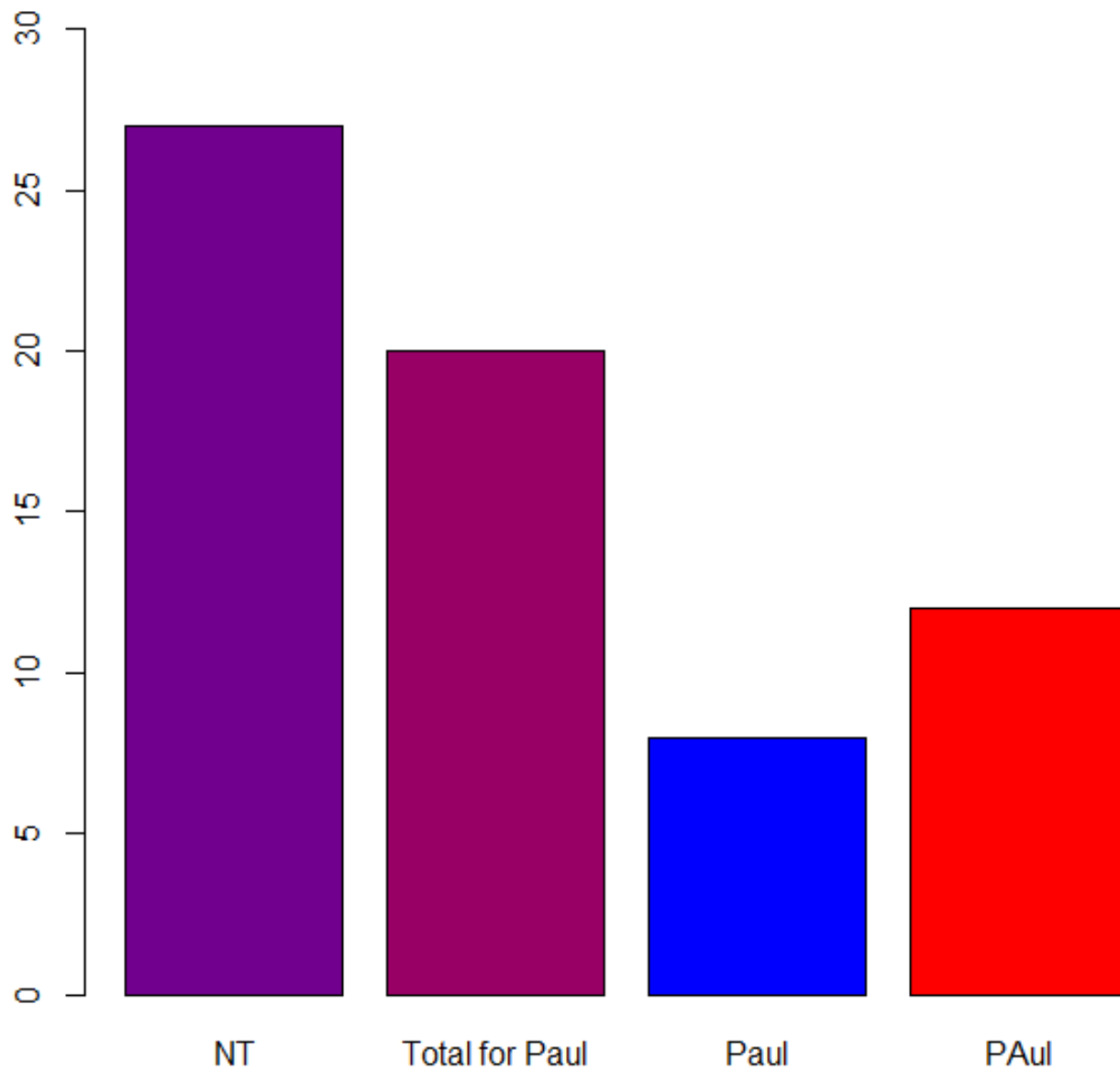
A | 3: 9. *The dispensation of the mystery—which He purposed.*

B | 5: 32. *The great mystery.*

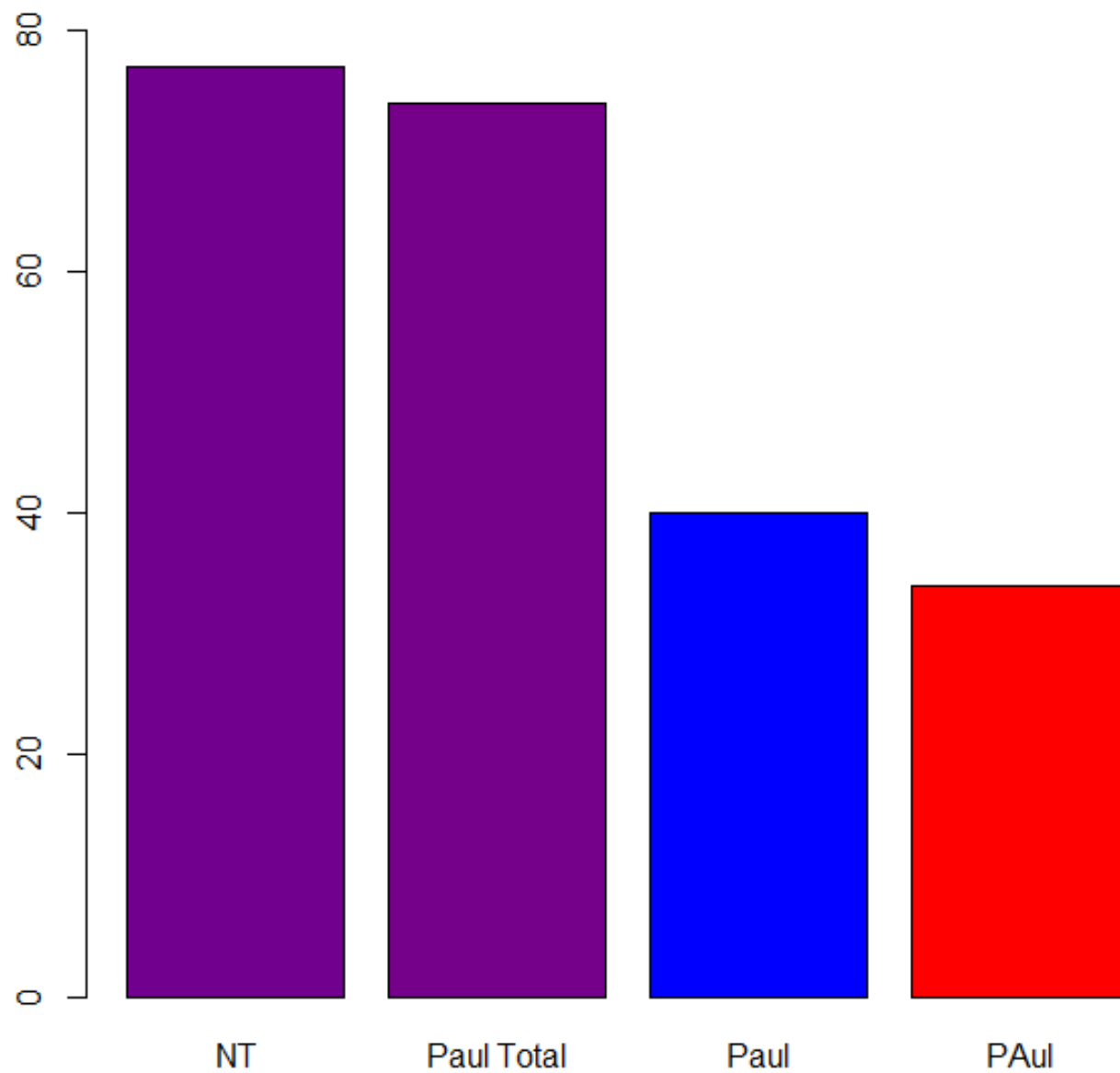
C | 6: 19. *The mystery of the gospel—made known.*

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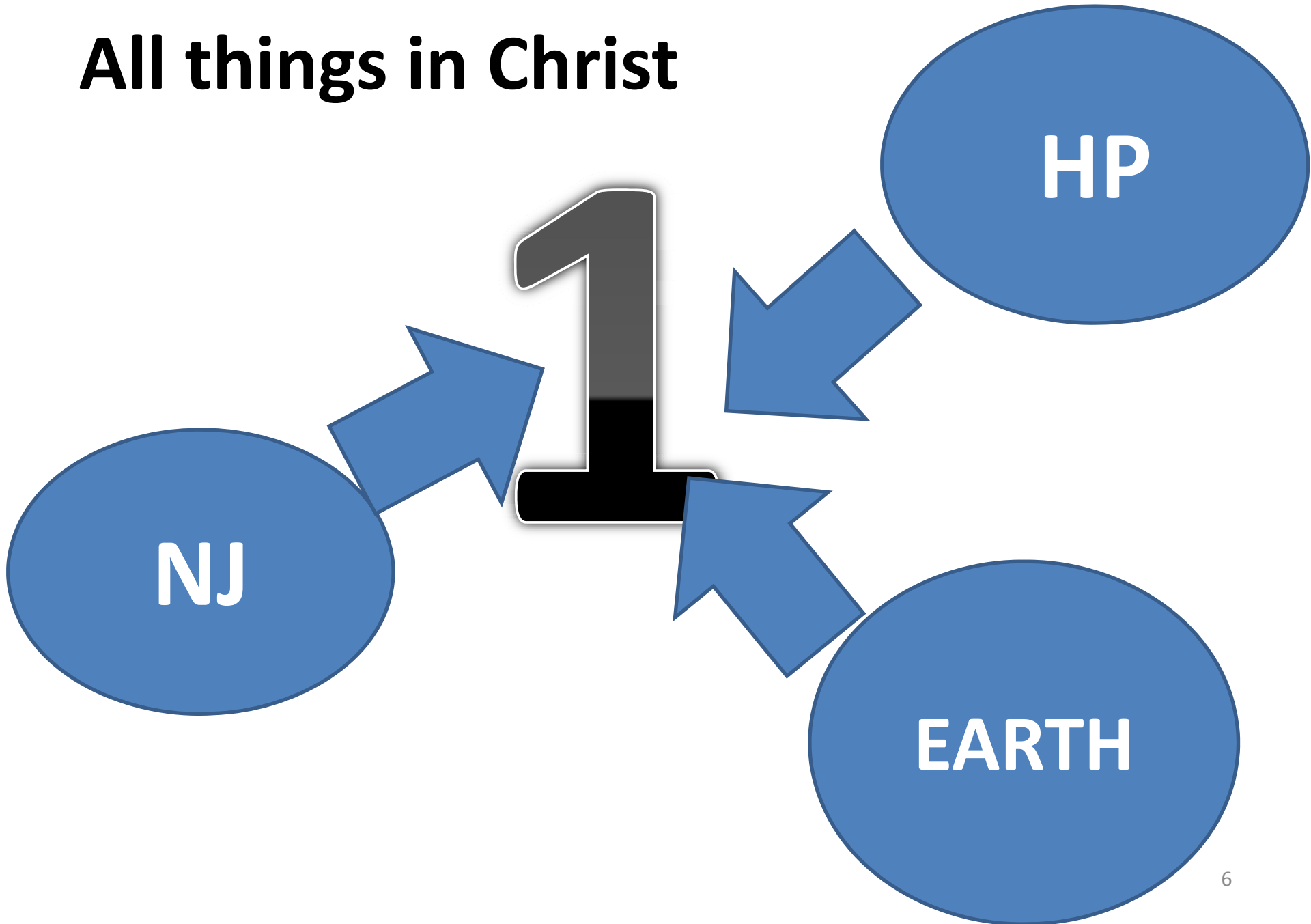
" Musterion " in the NT



" In Christ " in the NT



All things in Christ



Eph. 1:12

Let us look at the parallel verses.

- 5, 6.** | **A** | Predestinated as children.
- | **B** | According to good pleasure of His will.
- | **C** | To praise of glory of His grace.
- | **D** | Highly favoured in the Beloved.
- 11, 12.** | **A** | Predestinated as inheritance.
- | **B** | According to purpose. . . . will.
- | **C** | To praise of His glory.
- | **D** | Who pre-hoped in Christ.

TRUTH in particular

- Eph 1:13 In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth <225>, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise,
- Eph 4:21 If so be that ye have heard him, and have been taught by him, as the truth <225> is in Jesus:
- Eph 4:24 And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true <225> holiness.
- Eph 4:25 Wherefore putting away lying, speak every man truth <225> with his neighbour: for we are members one of another.
- Eph 5:9 (For the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness and righteousness and truth <225>);)
- Eph 6:14 Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth <225>, and having on the breastplate of righteousness;

Structure of Ephesians as a whole.

- A | a | 1: 1, 2.** Grace and peace to saints and faithful from
God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ.
- b | 1: 3-14.** "Blessed be God"; all spiritual blessings in the heavenlies.
- B | 1: 15-** Paul hears of the Ephesians' spiritual affairs; result—"thanks."
- C | c | 1: -15.** Love to all saints.
- d | 1: 16-19.** Paul's prayer for the saints. "That He may give"; "that ye may know."
- D | 1: 20-23.** The mighty Power, Principalities, & 100: Salvation.
- E | 2: 1-18.** (1) Death and life. (2) Distance and nearness. (3) Peace and enmity.
The two walks. Old and new creation. "Good works."
- F | 2: 19-22.** The temple "fitly framed together" (*sunarmologoumene*).
The foundation of the Apostles and Prophets—Jesus Christ Himself.
- G | 3: 1-13.** | e | The prisoner in the Lord.
- f |** The dispensation of the mystery. "The same body" (3: 6).
- H | 3: 14-21.** Paul's prayer. "The love of Christ which passeth knowledge."
"The fulness of God."
"Unto Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus."
- G | 4: 1-6.** | e | The prisoner in the Lord.
- f |** The unity of the Spirit, "One body."
- F | 4: 7-16.** The body "fitly joined together" (*sunarmologoumenon*).
The ministry of the Apostles and Prophets—The Son of God.
- E | 4: 17-6: 9.** (1) Love and lust. (2) Light and darkness. (3) Wisdom and folly.
The two walks. Old and new creation. "Good works."
- D | 6: 10-17.** The power of His might. Principalities, & 100: Conflict.
- C | c | 6: 18.** Prayer for all saints.
- d | 6: 19, 20.** Saints' prayer for Paul. "may be given"; "make known."
- B | 6: 21, 22.** Ephesians hear of Paul's affair; result—"comfort."
- A | a | 6: 23.** Peace with love and faith to the brethren from
God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.
- b | 6: 24.** Benediction on all who love the Lord Jesus Christ in incorruption.