

Colossians-Part 2
A Worthy Life
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- What We Need
- Who We Are

Col. 1:9-14 (ESV) And so, from the day we heard, we have not ceased to pray for you, asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of his will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him: bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God; being strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy; giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

To Make Our Life Count:

1st) What we **NEED**.

Col. 1:9a (ESV) And so,

Col. 1:4a (ESV) since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints,

A) We Need **PRAYER**.

Col. 1:9b (ESV) 9 And so, from the day we heard, we have not ceased to pray for you,

- Your future is decided by who you choose to believe
- Prayer changes us
- We Pray Because of Relationship
- Communication is the lifeblood of any relationship—and it is the same in our relationship with God.
- The primary reason that Jesus died on the cross—to restore our *relationship* with God.
- We Pray Because it Makes a Difference
- God, has given us prayer to assist in times of need.
- Today you can make a difference in your life and the lives of people around you—by praying.
- We Pray Because it Fulfills our Destiny
- ‘Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.’
- Prayer is not just for times of need. Jesus instructed us to pray in order for God’s will and purposes to be accomplished.
- God has set a law into place whereby His purposes can only be accomplished in conjunction with the prayers of His people.

B) We Need **KNOWLEDGE** of God's Will.

Col. 1:9c (ESV) asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of his will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding,

- *God's will is salvation*

2 Peter 3:9 (ESV) The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, [a] not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance.

1 Thess. 5:16-18 (ESV) Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

- God's will is not a place it's an attitude

What We Need Filled with:

I) **WISDOM**

- Trials that are brought on by your own mistakes
- Teachers who've already made mistakes
- Learn to invest in yourself
- Seek out qualified coaches
- Listen to what they say and observe what they do

Psalms 31:3 (ESV) For you are my rock and my fortress; and for your name's sake you lead me and guide me;

II) **UNDERSTANDING**

- Who you are in Christ
- Your self picture determines your self conduct

C) We need to **BEAR** Fruit

Col. 1:10 (ESV) so as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him: bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God;

- Just be who you are

Col. 1:11-12a (ESV) being strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy; giving thanks to the Father,

I) **PATIENCE**

II) **ENDURANCE**

III) **THANKFULNESS**

2nd) Who We are:

Col. 1:12b-14 (ESV) giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

A) **QUALIFIED**

who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light.

B) **DELIVERED**

He has delivered us from the domain of darkness

1 John 2:11 (ESV) But whoever hates his brother is in the darkness and walks in the darkness, and does not know where he is going, because the darkness has blinded his eyes.

C) **TRANSFERRED**

and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son,

D) **REDEEMED**

in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

- In Christ, you already have what you need and you already are who you need to be