

(sermon notes)

I'm Praying for You...

Colossians 1:1-12

... for your _____ to be constantly _____.

"...to pray for you and to ask that you may be filled with the knowledge of His will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding." (Col. 1:9)

"Therefore, prepare your minds for action" (1 Peter 1:13a)

"And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect." (Rom. 12:2)

Notice 3 words in Col. 1:9 —

- _____ —Biblical _____ about _____ and His _____.
- _____ —How Biblical truth _____ to _____.
- _____ —How it _____ to _____ life.

... for your _____ to be constantly _____.

"...so that you will walk in a manner worthy of the Lord...." (Col. 1:10a)

- _____ the _____.

"...to please Him in all respects..." (v. 10b)

"...for you were formerly darkness, but now you are Light in the Lord; walk as children of Light....trying to learn what is pleasing to the Lord." (Eph. 5:8-10)

"For am I now seeking the favor of men, or of God? Or am I striving to please men? If I were still trying to please men I would not be a bond-servant of Christ." (Gal. 1:10)



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"...bearing fruit in every good work..." (v. 10c)

"So then, you will know them by their fruits." (Matt. 7:20)

"I am the vine, you are the branches; he who abides in Me and I in him, he bears much fruit, for apart from Me you can do nothing." (Jn 15:5)

- _____.

"...increasing in the knowledge of God..." (v. 10d)

- _____ by _____.

"...strengthened with all power, according to His glorious might,...." (v. 11a)

"I can do all things through Him who strengthens me." (Phil. 4:13)

- _____ in _____.

"...for the attaining of all steadfastness and patience..." (v. 11b)

"Let us not lose heart in doing good, for in due time we will reap if we do not grow weary." (Gal. 6:9)

- _____ from a _____.

"...joyously giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified us to share in the inheritance of the saints in Light." (vv. 11c-12)