

KNOWLEDGE, WISDOM AND SPIRITUAL UNDERSTANDING

(Colossians 1:9-11)

I. PRAYERS OFFERED FOR THE COLOSSIANS (1:3-14)

A. Paul's Prayer for the Believers in Colossae (1:9-11)

1. The plural pronoun "we" indicates that Paul and Timothy were _____
_____. (v. 9a)

2. The Nature of their prayers...

a. Their prayers were made _____... "do not cease" (v. 9b)

b. Their prayers were made _____... "to pray for you" (v. 9c)

c. Their prayers were made _____... "and to ask" (v. 9d)

* What can we all learn from this?

3. Their primary request was that these believers be filled with (v. 9e) ...

a. "Knowledge"

b. "Wisdom"

c. "Spiritual understanding"

* How are these things similar but yet different?

4. The Practical Results of their Prayers (1:10-11)

a. The knowledge of God's will had in view the practical results... "*that you might _____ of the Lord.*" (v. 10a)

b. The goal of a worthy walk was to _____ the Lord. (v. 10b)

c. The marks of a worthy walk include...

1) "*being _____ in every good work*" (v. 10c)

* What is the only way this can be accomplished?

2) "*_____ in the knowledge of God*" (v. 10d)

3) being "*_____ with all might*" (v. 11a)

4) And the evidence of this "*strength*" in the life of the believer is "*all _____ and _____ with _____.*" (v. 11b)

* How can you begin to apply this truth today?