

1. Paul's Prayers for the Colossians

2. Setting of Paul's Prayers
 1. Prays for believers he has never met (v. 1:9)
 2. Prays for believers unceasingly (v. 1:9; Rom. 1:9-10)
 3. Interconnects thanksgiving with petition (v. 1:9, vv. 3-7)

3. Content of Paul's Prayers (vv. 1:9-14)
 1. Filling with the knowledge of His will (v. 1:9)
 2. Living a life worthy of and pleasing to the Lord (v. 1:10; 2 Thess. 1:5)
 3. Four traits of a life pleasing to the Lord (vv. 1:10b-14)
 1. Bear fruit in every good work
 2. Grow in the knowledge of God
 3. Empowered for enduring patience
 4. Give thanks joyfully to the Father