

## Scripture:

Colossians 1:9-12

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.

## Notes:

Paul's Prayer for the People of God (two requests)

- Filled — filled to the top so that nothing will be wanting; to make complete or render perfect
- With the Knowledge — an intensified version of knowledge...implies deep and thorough or experiential.
- of His will — that which is desired; wished for

Paul's Prayer for the People of God (two requests)

- Filled with the knowledge of His will in all spiritual wisdom
  - Wisdom — sophia — collected, organized principles
- Filled with the knowledge of His will in all spiritual understanding
  - Understanding — sunesis — ability to apply said principles to everyday living

Purpose of the Prayer

- So as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord
- Fully pleasing to Him
- Bearing fruit...
- Growing in knowledge...
- Being strengthened...
- Giving joyful thanks...

THIS WEEK...

1. Pray — Pray these verses for yourself, your family, and our church.
2. Reflect — Are you living your life worthy of the Lord? What needs to change?
3. Give Thanks — Make a list of what you're thankful....top ten.
4. Share — Share that you're praying for someone. Share your reflection with someone that you trust. Share your thanksgiving list with someone.