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Intro: What is pleasing to God?

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 <u>walk in a manner worthy of the Lord</u>, **fully pleasing** to him, Colossians 1:9-10a

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, to the saints and faithful brothers in Christ at Colossae: Grace to you and peace from God our Father. Colossians 1:1-2

BE ROOTED IN THE GOSPEL

*Of this you have heard before in the word of the truth, the gospel,* Colossians 1:5b

*Of this you have heard before in the word of the truth, the gospel, which has come to you, as indeed in the whole world it is bearing fruit and increasing—* Colossians 1:6a

as it also does among you, since the day you heard it and understood the grace of God in truth, just as you learned it from Epaphras our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf and has made known to us your love in the Spirit. Colossians 1:3-8

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. Colossians 1:11-14 Qualified us to share in the inheritance who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. Colossians 1:12

Delivered us from the domain of darkness He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, Colossians 1:13

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Redeemed us in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. Colossians 1:14

## GIVE THANKS FOR GOD'S GREAT GRACE

We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, Colossians 1:3

## ASK GOD FOR MORE

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, Colossians 1:9

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; Colossians 1:9b-11

You make known to me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore. Psalm 16:11