

Colossians 1:1-14 - Lesson 3

Who Are the Saints of Colossae? (2-8)	What Did He Pray? (9)	Why Pray for Wisdom? (10)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Faithful saints (2) - Faith in Christ Jesus (4) - Love for all the saints - They have a hope laid up in heaven (5) - They heard the word of truth - gospel (5) - Changed them and they constantly bore fruit (6) - It is increasing in them - they are growing (6) - They heard and they understood the grace of God in truth (6) - They have love in the Spirit (8) <p>For this reason</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - they heard - They understood - They believed - They lived it out in their lives <p>They were being prayed for constantly!</p>	<p>That they be filled with . . .</p> <p>Knowledge of His will</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - epignosis - clear and exact knowledge (truth) - full and complete - revealed - This is only found in His Word <p>In all spiritual wisdom</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sophia - application of knowledge - God's viewpoint applied to our daily life - Earthly wisdom verses a heavenly wisdom (James 3:13-18) <p>In all spiritual understanding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - sunesis - making decisions dealing with people, things, and circumstances - Putting it all together - Seeking guidance to apply the wisdom in every circumstance <p>Rom 12:1-2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - living sacrifice - Transformed mind - Don't allow the world to shape our thinking - Renewed mind - daily - GOD'S WORD 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Walk in a manner worthy of the Lord - Please Him in all respects <p>Eph 1:15-23</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - eyes of your heart may be enlightened - Know what is the hope of His calling - Know the riches of the glory of His inheritance - Surpassing greatness of His power - Strength of His might

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How Does This Manifest Itself? (10-12)	Is Fruit Important?	What Has Jesus Done For Me? (12-14)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - bearing fruit in every good work (present tense) - continual, habitual, lifestyle - Increasing in the knowledge of God - Strengthened in all power (dunamis - dynamite - powerful explosion - miraculous power - inherent power - God's power) <p>Eph 6:10-13</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - stand firm - Take up the full armor of God - We are in a battle - spiritual <p>I John 4:1-6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Spirit of truth - comes from God - Spirit of error - comes from Satan - Test the spirits - discernment - Bible needs to be our plumb line <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - attain steadfastness and patience - Joyously giving thanks to the Father 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mt 3:8-10 - bear fruit in keeping with repentance, every tree that doesn't bear fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire - Jn 15:8 - bear fruit - prove you are His disciples - Eph 5:8-10 - truth and righteousness that proves we are of the Light - Gal 5:25 - walk by the Spirit - Eph 5:8-10 - walk as children of Light - Col 1:10 - walk in a manner worthy of the Lord - Gal 5:22-23 - fruit of the Spirit 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - qualified us to share in the inheritance of the saints in Light (hagios - set apart ones, holy, sanctified (I Cor 1:2; I Cor 1:26-31; 6:9-11)) - Delivered us from the domain of darkness (ruomai - to drag or pull out of danger or calamity) - Transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son (methistemi - change of place) - Given redemption - forgiveness of sins (apolutrosis - a price paid in full, complete forgiveness of a debt)