

Colossians 1:9-11

A Biblical Model of Prayer

1. Who should I pray for? (v. 9a)
2. When should I pray? (v. 9b)
3. What should I pray for? (v. 9c)
4. Why should I pray for that? (v. 10a)
5. How do I know the outcome of prayer? (10b-12a)
 - a. Bearing fruit
 - b. Increasing in the knowledge of God
 - c. Being strengthened
 - d. Giving thanks (next week)

Application of Colossians 1:9-11

1. In verses 3 and 9, Paul speaks of continual prayer for the saints. How can you practically follow this? Suggestions...
 - a. “Echo” prayer app (free app I use for prayer lists and it has some free features)
 - b. Pray through the church directory
 - c. Place a prayer reminder in your phone, at your desk, in the car etc.
 - d. Pray with another person
 - e. Set aside a set time(s) in the day to pray and build discipline to do it at that time
 - f. Do you need to wake up earlier or spend less time on other ‘things’ to make time to pray.
2. Practice praying Scripture by reading a verse (in context) and praying in accordance with the truth and principles it contains.
3. Read and pray through some of Paul’s other examples of prayer reports that provide a good model for prayer (e.g. Eph 1:15-23; Phil 1:3-11). As you do note the similarities and differences between these prayer reports and how they can continue to shape your prayers.
4. As you reflect on the true knowledge of God and His will coming through His Word, as revealed in Scripture, how does it impact your current habits of Bible reading, study, memorization, listening to sermons etc?
5. Is there something you can commit to in the area of learning Scripture so that you will know God’s instructions for living and increase in the knowledge of God?
6. Choose one element of Paul’s prayer that you would like to be more evident in your own life. Write it down in the form of a prayer request and consider what responsibility you have in this.

Reading this week: Read & pray through the 1st chapter of Colossians numerous times this week.

Sermon Notes for Children (or Children at Heart)

Date _____

Pastor _____

<u>Book</u>	<u>Sermon Main Points</u>	<u>Other Bible References:</u>
	<i>A Biblical Model of Prayer</i>	
<u>Chapter</u>	1. _____ should I pray for? (v. 9a)	_____
	2. _____ should I pray? (v. 9_____)	_____
	3. _____ should I _____ for? (v. 9c)	_____
<u>Verses</u>	4. _____ should I pray for that? (v. 10_____)	_____
	5. _____ do I know the outcome of prayer? (10b-12a)	_____

Words you heard during the sermon (tally each time)

God	Christ/Jesus/Lord	Bible/Word/Scripture	Knowledge	Paul	Pray/Prayer

What is the message about? _____

How can you do this? _____

What/who can you pray for? _____

Draw a picture related to the message: