

Colossians 1:9-14

# My Prayer for you... Walking Worthy of Christ

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For this cause we also, since the day we heard it, do not cease to pray for you, and to desire that ye might be filled with the knowledge of his will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding;

That ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God;

Strengthened with all might, according to his glorious power, unto all patience and longsuffering with joyfulness;

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Giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light:

Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son:

In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sin.

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Colossians 1:9-14 part 1

Because we heard about your spiritual progress in Christ, we pray unceasingly for you:

• that ye might be filled with the knowledge of His will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding;

so that ye might walk worthy of the Lord

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Colossians 1:9-14 part 2

Walking Worthy of the Lord =

fruitful in every good work,

increasing in the knowledge of God;

strengthened with all might,...

giving thanks

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# "Walk Worthy"

- formula appearing on inscriptions in the province of Asia including pagan inscriptions.
- also found in Eph 4:1; 1 Thess. 2:12; 3 John 6; Matt. 10:37

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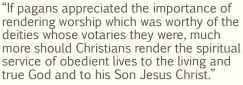
# "Walking" = Everyday living

Walking Worthy of Christ



"Walk Worthy" Everyday-life conduct that matches up to / balances with

## Walking Worthy of Christ



• F. F. Bruce, The Epistles to the Colossians, to Philemon, and to the Ephesians, 47.

# Walking Worthy of Christ



• Emphasis of "worthiness" is the worth of Christ Matthew 10:37

He that loveth father or mother more than me is not <u>worthy of</u> <u>me</u>: and he that loveth son or daughter more than me is not <u>worthy of me</u>.

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Galatians 1:10

For do I now persuade men, or God? or do I seek to please men? for if I yet pleased men, I should not be the servant of Christ.

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# Loving God = Following God's Will Jonah Act 1

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God's Will

- Sovereign will what He determines
- Moral will what He wants us to do
- Biblical decision making wise choices

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...that ye might be filled with the knowledge of His will in all wisdom and understanding (in the Spirit)...

#### The Written Word reveals the Living Word

•7 & 14 June 2015 Bible Seminars Bible Emphasis Weeks

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 Foundational Layer of knowing God's will– To know what God has done and is doing through Jesus Christ

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Col. 2:2-3

That their hearts might be comforted, being knit together in love, and unto all riches of the full assurance of understanding, to the acknowledgement of the mystery of God, and of the Father, and of Christ; in whom are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.

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Eph. 1: 9-12

Having made known unto us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure which he hath purposed in himself:

That in the dispensation of the fulness of times he might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth; even in him: In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will: That we should be to the praise of his glory, who first trusted in Christ.

#### Introducing... the Incomparable CHRIST!

•Theme of the epistle to the Colossians (& tri-city churches) Live the new life completely IN the incomparable Christ

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 that God will fill you with the knowledge of His will in all wisdom and understanding;

so that you might walk worthy of the Lord to please Him.

