

*For this reason, since the day we heard about you, we have not stopped praying for you and asking God to fill you with the knowledge of his will through all spiritual wisdom and understanding. And we pray this in order that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and may please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God,*  
*Colossians 1:9-10 (NIV)*

## **Know His Will**

How will I ever be able to live a life that is worthy of you? That seems like an impossible goal. **On your own it would be impossible for you to live a life that is worthy of me. Your even trying to live a life that is worthy of me on your own power and strength would be offensive to me. You will never impress me by your efforts. You cannot earn my favor. You do not deserve my merit. If you could live a life that is worthy of me by yourself it would have been a mistake for me to send my Son into the world to die for your sins. Do you think I made a mistake by allowing my Son to be a sacrifice for your sins?** No, certainly not. You don't make mistakes. **No, I do not.**

**You have turned away from your sin. You have received my Son into your life as your Savior and Lord. I have given you a new heart. I have given you a new mind. It is now your desire to live your life with and for me.** Yes, this is all true. **It is now your calling to live a life that is worthy of me.** That is my desire. That is my plan. That is my goal. **You have a good desire, plan and goal.**

**Yet, you are not sure how you will ever be able to live a life that is worthy of me.** That's true. **You are not able to live a life that is worthy of me.** No, I am not. **It is impossible for you to live a life that is worthy of me.** Yes, it is. **Do you know that I can do what is impossible?** Yes, I do. **Do you believe that I can make you able to live a life that is worthy of me?** Yes, I do. **How do you think I will change you?** I think you will show yourself to me. I think you will let me know your will. I believe that you will show me your ways. You will give me spiritual wisdom and understanding. In your presence you will change my heart and transform my mind. You will make me able to think your thoughts and walk in your ways. You will make it my passionate desire to live a life that is worthy of you. **Yes, I will.** It will become my joy to do what is pleasing to you. **That will be very good.**

*Father, it is my desire to know you and to live a life worthy of Christ, pleasing Him in every way. Fill me with the knowledge of your will by your spiritual wisdom and understanding so that I will bear fruit in every good work. Amen*

**The Mind***Knowledge Of His Will*

For this reason, since the day we heard about you, we have not stopped praying for you and asking God to fill you with the knowledge of his will through all spiritual wisdom and understanding. And we pray this in order that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and may please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God,

NIV

Colossians 1:9-10

**The Mind***Knowledge Of His Will*

So we have not stopped praying for you since we first heard about you. We ask God to give you complete knowledge of his will and to give you spiritual wisdom and understanding. Then the way you live will always honor and please the Lord, and your lives will produce every kind of good fruit. All the while, you will grow as you learn to know God better and better.

NLT

Colossians 1:9-10

**The Mind***Knowledge Of God's Will*

For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God.

NRSV

Colossians 1:9-10

**The Mind***Knowledge Of His Will*

For this reason we also, from the day we heard of it, have not ceased to pray and make [special] request for you, [asking] that you may be filled with the full (deep and clear) knowledge of His will in all spiritual wisdom [in comprehensive insight into the ways and purposes of God] and in understanding and discernment of spiritual things— That you may walk (live and conduct yourselves) in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to Him and desiring to please Him in all things, bearing fruit in every good work and steadily growing and increasing in and by the knowledge of God [with fuller, deeper, and clearer insight, acquaintance, and recognition].

AMP

Colossians 1:9-10

**The Mind***Knowledge Of His Will*

For this reason also, since the day we heard of it, we have not ceased to pray for you and to ask that you may be filled with the knowledge of His will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that you will walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, to please Him in all respects, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God;

NASB

Colossians 1:9-10

**The Mind***Knowledge Of His Will*

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.

ESV

Colossians 1:9-10

**The Mind***Knowledge Of His Will*

For this reason we also, since the day we heard it, do not cease to pray for you, and to ask that you may be filled with the knowledge of His will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding; that you may walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing Him, being fruitful in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God;

NKJV

Colossians 1:9-10

**The Mind***Wise Minds And Spirits Attuned To His Will*

Be assured that from the first day we heard of you, we haven't stopped praying for you, asking God to give you wise minds and spirits attuned to his will, and so acquire a thorough understanding of the ways in which God works. We pray that you'll live well for the Master, making him proud of you as you work hard in his orchard. As you learn more and more how God works, you will learn how to do your work.

MSG

Colossians 1:9-10

**The Mind***Understand What He Wants You To Do*

So ever since we first heard about you we have kept on praying and asking God to help you understand what he wants you to do; asking him to make you wise about spiritual things; and asking that the way you live will always please the Lord and honor him, so that you will always be doing good, kind things for others, while all the time you are learning to know God better and better.

TLB

Colossians 1:9-10

**The Mind***Know Fully What He Wants*

Because of this, since the day we heard about you, we have continued praying for you, asking God that you will know fully what he wants. We pray that you will also have great wisdom and understanding in spiritual things so that you will live the kind of life that honors and pleases the Lord in every way. You will produce fruit in every good work and grow in the knowledge of God.

NCV

Colossians 1:9-10

# Knowledge Of His Will

Year \_\_\_\_\_ Week \_\_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**The Mind** – Colossians 1:9-10

**In Context:** *Read Colossians 1*

**Begin With Prayer:**

***Here I am Lord. I Am Listening.***

**Meditating On God's Word:** ***(What is God speaking to your heart?)***

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**Considering The Words:** ***(What words speak to your heart?)***

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**Praying The Scripture:** ***(What prayer from your heart will you write?)***

Father, it is my desire to know you and to live a life worthy of Christ, pleasing Him in every way. Fill me with the knowledge of your will by your spiritual wisdom and understanding so that I will bear fruit in every good work. Amen

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**What It Means:** ***(What questions speak to your heart?)*** *(Suggested questions for small group discussion are in bold)*

How has your faith in Jesus Christ been an encouragement that spurred others on in their faith?

**How is God's word helping you to grow in spiritual wisdom and understanding?**

When have you prayed and asked God to help you know His will and give you spiritual wisdom and understanding?

**How is coming to know God and His will helping you to live a life that is worthy of Him?**

How is relying on God's spiritual wisdom and understanding guiding all you think, say and do?

Who are you praying for so that they will know God and live a life that is pleasing to Him?

**What fruit has your life born for God as you have lived a life that is pleasing to Him?**

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**Living It Out:** ***(What action step is God guiding your heart to take?)***

Ask God to help you to know Him and grow in spiritual wisdom and understanding so you can live a life pleasing to Him.

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**Seeing It Happen:** ***(What are you trusting God for in our heart?)***

Have faith that God will help you to know His will and grow in spiritual wisdom and understanding.

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**Get Ready To Share:** ***(What can you share with others from your heart?)***

Share with another person or your small group how God has helped you to grow in spiritual wisdom and understanding.

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**Close With Prayer:**

***Quiet Yourself Before The Lord***

*Pause And Offer Prayers Of...*

*With An Attitude Of Faith Listen To What The Lord Wants To Say To You*

Adoration... \_\_\_\_\_

Thanksgiving... \_\_\_\_\_

Confession... \_\_\_\_\_

Intercession... \_\_\_\_\_

Petition... \_\_\_\_\_

**Journal**

*As You Quiet Yourself Before The Lord*

**What Do You Want To Say To Me Lord?**

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**What Prayers Are You Praying Today?**

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**Prayer Of Blessing**

*(What Prayer Of Blessing Can You Pray For Another?)*

*May you come to know God's will and have spiritual wisdom so you can live a life that is pleasing to Him.*

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**Prayer To Carry**

*(What Prayer Would You Like To Carry Throughout Your Day?)*

*Lord, help me to know your will and have spiritual understanding so I can live a life that is pleasing to you.*

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**What Do You Want To Remember About Today?**

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**A Question To Ask God**

*(What Would You Like To Ask God?)*

*Lord, how can I live a life that is pleasing to you today?*

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