

Oxford Baptist Church – Jan 28, 2024 – Robin W. Pifer
Colossians – “Live a Life Worthy of the Lord” – Col 1:9-14

Main Thought: Live a Life worthy of the Lord.

The Powerful Prayer of the Apostle Paul | v9

- Be filled with the knowledge of God's Will. - 2Tim 3:16-17
- Living out what is true according to scripture.
- "Orthodoxy leads to Orthopraxy."
- Be filled with wisdom - Jam 1:5
- Be filled with understanding that the Holy Spirit gives.
- *Are you being filled with God's will and wisdom with the daily understanding that the Holy Spirit gives? Is your life lining up more with Christ daily? How have you been changing – share or write down one example.*
- Why does Paul pray so powerfully?

Live A Life Worship Of The Lord | v10-11

- You please him in every way. - Eph 5:10
- You bear fruit in every good work. - John 15; Gal 5; Eph 5:9; Phi 1:11
- You grow in the knowledge of God.
- You are strengthened with all power according to his glorious might. - Zec 4:6
- Those who walk according to the Spirit of truth will walk pleasing to God. The Spirit-filled life is a day-by-day, moment-by-moment yielding to God's Spirit and His Word. This is the believer who is living under and through the mighty power of God.
- Take time to review this section. Are you pleasing the Lord in every way? Are you more fruitful in the ministry the Lord has given you? Is your knowledge and response to the Lord growing? Are you relying on God's power or are you relying on your strength (the flesh) and worldly solutions?

The Results Of Living A Life Worship Of The Lord | v11-12

- The Triad (Endurance, patience, joyful thanks) that supports the Previous Triad (Faith, Love, and Hope v.4-5).
- The Father has qualified you to share in the inheritance of his holy people in the Kingdom of Light.
- How has this happened?

The Rescue From The Dominion Of Darkness | v12b-14

- Delivered us from the dominion of darkness.
- **Transferred** us to the Kingdom of the Son of God.
- We have been redeemed through Christ.
- All our sins are forgiven through Christ.
- *What is your response to this message today? What area of your life needs to come into obedience to Christ? What decisions do you need to make to please him in every way? Maybe you have made a mess of things, but the Lord can redeem and forgive!*

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