Praying Like Paul

Col. 1:9-14

Introduction

- Study the prayer prayed by the apostle Paul for Christians in Colossae in 1:9-14.
- Some questions to consider about this text:
 - How is this prayer significant for us today?
 - How does this prayer line up with the prayers we pray today for selves and others?
 - How do we pray for others and our self?
 - How does this text relate to what has just been said?
 - How many sentences are there in verses 9-14?
 - What is the content of Paul's prayer?

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 - » increasing in the knowledge of God;
 - » (being) strengthened (11)
 - with all power,
 - according to His glorious might,
 - for the attaining of all steadfastness and patience; joyously
 - » giving thanks to the Father, (12)
 - who has qualified us to share in the inheritance of the saints in Light.
 - For He rescued us from the domain of darkness, and (13)
 - transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son,
 - in whom we have redemption, (14)
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