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Full Msg. Title:	"Worthy Petitions"*
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Message Outline

"Worthy Petitions"

***Spiritual Reformation*, Chapter 3**

I. <u>What</u> Paul Prayed for Believers

A. That God would Make them Worthy of Their Calling

B. That God would Fulfill (By Means of His Power) …

1. Their Every Good Desire
2. Their Every Work of Faith

II. <u>Why</u> Paul Prayed What He Prayed (The <u>Goal</u> of Paul's Prayer)

A. In Order That Jesus would be Glorified in Them

B. In Order That They would be Glorified in Him

III. <u>How</u> Paul's Prayers will be Realized (The <u>Ground</u> for Paul's Prayer)

A. God's Grace

Examine the Scriptures (Be Berean!)

- Romans 8:29-30
- Eph 4:1
- Phil 2:12-13
- Ps 127:1
- Rom 8:28-30; 2 Cor 3:8

Consider & Discuss (Be Transformed!)*

- "What does it mean to pray that God might count Christians we know to be worthy of God's calling? How will you incorporate such petitions in your prayers?"
- "What good, faith-prompted purposes have you been developing? How much have you prayed that God will bring such purposes to fulfillment? What concrete steps can you take to improve your praying in this area?"
- **Community Group Discussion: "What is Paul's twofold goal in this prayer for the Thessalonians? How should such a goal shape your prayers?"**

Memory & Meditation Verse

"To this end also we pray for you always, that our God will count you worthy of your calling, and fulfill every desire for goodness and the work of faith with power, so that the name of our Lord Jesus will be glorified in you, and you in Him, according to the grace of our God and *the* Lord Jesus Christ. " 2 Thes 1:11-12

Community Life

- Nurture your prayer life in community!

Next Sunday

Spiritual Reformation, Ch. 4, Praying for Others

*Title and Discussion Questions cited from D. A. Carson's, Spiritual Reformation, Chapter 3.