

**“KNOWING GOD’S WILL, PT. 1”  
(Colossians 1:9b)**

\* How is your prayer life?

- I. THE SALUTATION TO THE COLOSSIANS (1:1-2)
- II. THE PRAYERS OF PAUL AND TIMOTHY FOR THE COLOSSIANS (1:3-14)

- A. Their THANKSGIVING. (1:3-8)
- B. Their PETITIONS (1:9-14)

1. The Reason for their prayers... .... “For this \_\_\_\_\_”

\* What cause?

2. The Urgency of their prayers is seen by the phrase “since \_\_\_\_\_ we heard it”

\* Why the urgency?

3. The Nature of their prayers..... “we do not cease to \_\_\_\_\_ for you and desire...”

a. They were made \_\_\_\_\_

b. They were \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

c. They were \_\_\_\_\_

4. The Desire of their prayers was that they “might be \_\_\_\_\_ with the \_\_\_\_\_ of God’s \_\_\_\_\_ in all \_\_\_\_\_ and spiritual \_\_\_\_\_”

\* Paul & Timothy’s initial request to God for these believers centered in the knowledge of God’s \_\_\_\_\_

\* Where do spiritual wisdom and understanding come from? Or

\* How can believers come to know the will of God for their life?

Note these principles from John 7:17...

1. God has a \_\_\_\_\_

2. God wants you to \_\_\_\_\_ His \_\_\_\_\_

3. God's will is revealed in His \_\_\_\_\_

\* Where is the one place where God's will is not found? (1 John 2:15-17)

\* What are the Scriptures profitable for? (2 Timothy 3:15-17)

4. You must decide to \_\_\_\_\_ God's will in order to \_\_\_\_\_ this plan explicitly

\* You can come to know the will of God through \_\_\_\_\_

\* You must have a \_\_\_\_\_ attitude

\* Rom 12:1-2

\*How does all this apply to you?