

## Colossians: How to Please God

Colossians 1:9-14

Satan's continued lies

Pleasing God

*Colossians 1:9-10; Ephesians 5:18; Proverbs 22:24-25*

A worthy walk

*Colossians 1:11-12*

Reasons to be thankful

*Colossians 1:13-14*

### Considerations for the week

Consider the characteristics of a life worthy of the Lord, as described by Paul in verses 10-11. Compare and contrast these with the fruit of the Spirit given in Galatians 5:22-23.

What does it mean to be rescued from darkness?

In verse 9, Paul prays that we would be filled with knowledge of His will. How does the Spirit give us wisdom and understanding?

We desire to please God in every way, growing, bearing fruit. That requires strength and endurance. How can we appropriate what we need to please Him?

What does it mean to be God's holy people?

What part does redemption – forgiveness of sins – play in our increasing empowerment and ability to please God?

The power of God is available to us. We can experience it in patience, in endurance, in giving thanks. See verses 11-12. Discuss specific times when you've known (or seen in others) evidence of God's power in living a worthy life.

*Please use these considerations for personal reflection, small group discussions, and with friends and family.*

**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;**

– Colossians 1:9-10, ESV

Scripture read today during worship:

Matthew 6:31-33

1 Thessalonians 3:12-13

### Prayer today

Members will be praying for us during the service today and also during the week. Please email us at [prayer@rtbchurch.org](mailto:prayer@rtbchurch.org) to let us know how we may pray for you.

**Rice Temple Baptist Church**



## Today's order of service

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

Hymn, *Praise*

Hymn

*Be Thou My Vision / You are my Vision*

Hymn, *Forever*

Offertory

Reading

Hymn, *Break the Bottle*

Message

Observance of the Lord's Supper

*The Table*

Hymn of response

*Knowing you Jesus / Goodness of God*

Benediction

Postlude

## Weekly events

Today after benediction, Cookies & Coffee, in parlor

Young adults fellowship, Monday at 6:45pm. Dinner and discussion for those in college or starting careers

Mom's Day Out, Tuesday and Friday, 9am – 2pm  
pre-registration required

Women's Bible study, Tues. at 10 am or Thurs. at 7 pm

Wednesday

Kids' Music Class, 5-6 pm

Dinner served, 5:30-6:30 pm. Menu: chicken pot pie, peas, French bread, salad, dessert

Prayer, 6:30 pm in the prayer room

BLAST! Children's Bible study and fun, 5:30 pm

Ladies' international Bible class (Zoom), 6:45 pm

Sermon discussion on Zoom, 7 pm

Choir rehearsal, 7:45 pm

Joy Program, Thursday, 9am-noon, conversational

English classes, Bible study, crafts, and handbells

Young internationals Bible study, Saturday at 7 pm

Men's Bible study, Thursday, 7 pm

Sunday morning

Adult Bible study, 9:30 am

Worship, 10:45 am

Children's Church at sermon time

**The church office has information on events.**

Phone: 713.559.6875 Email: [office@rtbchurch.org](mailto:office@rtbchurch.org)

The office is open Tuesday - Friday, 9am-4pm

**CCSC food drive** now through March 2

**Lord's Supper** We will observe the Lord's Supper during worship today.

The bread to be served is **gluten-free.**

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**Conversations** The Gideons will lead classes to help equip us to have gospel-centered conversations in which to share the love of Christ.

Join us here, beginning February 9th at 5pm.

**Super Bowl Party** next Sunday at 6:30

Please be advised that our services are livestreamed to the internet. Your participation in the service serves as your consent to the broadcast of your image and voice and to the broadcast of the image and voice of your participating minor children.