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9 that you may be filled with the __________________ of his will in all spiritual __________ and ____________________,

10 so as to __________ in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully __________ to him, bearing __________ in every good __________

11 May you be __________ with all power, according to his glorious might, for all __________ and ____________

12 who has __________ you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. 13 He has __________ us from the domain of darkness and __________ us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, 14 in whom we have __________, the ____________ of sins.

12 giving thanks to the Father,
HEARING AND DOING

Each week this section will provide next steps for going deeper with the sermon material, as well as preparing for discussion in your Grow Group. Bring this sheet with you to your group meeting.

Read Colossians 1:9-14

This passage taught us that knowing is the key to growing. Below is a list of statements, going from basic to more advanced. Where would you place yourself on this scale of knowing?

1. I’m very new to Christianity. I have a lot of questions about who Jesus is and what it means to be a follower of Christ.
2. I’ve just started reading the Bible, but don’t understand its layout, finding verses, or what the books are about.
3. I know a lot of the stories in the Bible, but don’t know how they all fit together.
4. I have done some structured Bible studies on biblical themes (ex: parenting, marriage, money).
5. I have done some structured Bible studies on books of the Bible.
6. I have memorized some of the key verses in the Bible and find them coming back to me at surprising times.
7. I have read most of the Bible and have a generally good understanding of the storyline.
8. When I listen to a Bible teacher, I can test what he is saying against my own knowledge of scripture.
9. I understand theological concepts like propitiation, regeneration, illumination, election, omniscience, and others; and these concepts greatly strengthen my love for God and joy in God.
10. I am familiar with some of the theological tensions in scripture (like perseverance of the saints, predestination vs. free will, male vs. female elders, modes of baptism, eschatology, miraculous gifts, etc.) and I know where I stand on these issues.

Read Hebrews 12:1-3. What one word - seemingly out of place - is the link between this passage and Colossians 1:11?

Verse 9 speaks of discovering the “knowledge of his will”. List three ways we can discover God’s will on a particular matter.

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