

## **All-Sufficient Creator & Savior**

### **Colossians 1:9-23**

#### **A Comprehensive Prayer**

**1:9-14**

Paul desires for God's wisdom to fill and form the lives of the Colossian believers.

Understanding God and His ways should lead to a life worthy of the gospel: full of good fruit, knowledge of God, perseverance, and gratitude.

God empowers Christians and gives them all they need in Christ.

**Consider what is forming and flowing from your life.  
\_\_\_\_\_ this type of prayer for yourself and others.**

#### **The Preeminent Person**

**1:15-23**

##### **Jesus the Creator**

Jesus is God and demonstrates His supremacy as the creator and sustainer of all things.

Since Jesus is God and created everything, the Colossian believers need not look for wisdom outside of Christ but seek more understanding of Him.

##### **Jesus the Redeemer**

Jesus' resurrection marked the pivotal moment of reconciliation and is the source of life for the Church.

Contrary to false teaching, Jesus' work is sufficient and complete, providing all the Church needs.

##### **Jesus For Us and In Us**

Jesus brought righteousness to sinners, and He alone is sufficient to reconcile them to God.

Paul longs for believers to remain grounded and growing in the power and hope of the gospel.

Jesus' supremacy and beauty compel character change and true worship.

**Seek to know Jesus with your \_\_\_\_\_.**  
**Fight to stay perfectly aligned with the truths of the gospel.**  
**Pursue holiness as an overflow of life in Christ.**  
**Embrace and \_\_\_\_\_ our preeminent Savior.**

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John 1:1-3, 14

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made... And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.

Philippians 1:21

For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain.

Philippians 3:8a

Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord.

John 17:3

And this is eternal life, that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent.

The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds; God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God; begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made.

Who, for us men for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord and Giver of Life; who proceeds from the Father [and the Son]; who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe one holy catholic and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.