



CENTERING ON CHRIST

How to Please God

Colossians 1.9-14



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Ephesians 5:18

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Galatians 5:22-23

²² But the **fruit** of the Spirit is love, joy, peace,
forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,
²³ gentleness and self-control...

John 15:8

⁸ This is to **My Father's glory**, that you **bear much fruit**, showing yourselves to be **My disciples**.

Ephesians 2:8-10

⁸ For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith— and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—
⁹ not by works, so that no one can boast. ¹⁰ For we are God's handiwork, **created in Christ Jesus to do good works**, which God prepared in advance for us to do.



Colossians 1:10

¹⁰ so that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and please Him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, **growing in the knowledge of God,**



Philippians 3:10, 12-14

¹⁰ I want to **know Christ**—yes, to **know the power of His resurrection** and participation in His sufferings, becoming like Him in His death...

¹² Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already arrived at my goal, but **I press on** to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. ¹³ Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and **straining toward what is ahead**, ¹⁴ **I press on** toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.



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Romans 5:3-4

³ Not only so, but we also **glory in our sufferings**, because we know that suffering produces **perseverance**; ⁴ perseverance, **character**; and character, **hope**.

1Peter 1:6-7

⁶ In all this you **greatly rejoice**, though now for a little while you may have had to **suffer grief in all kinds of trials**. ⁷ These have come so that the proven **genuineness of your faith**—of greater worth than gold, which perishes even though **refined by fire**—may result in praise, glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed.



James 1:2-4

² Consider it **pure joy**, my brothers and sisters, **whenever you face trials** of many kinds, ³ because you know that the **testing of your faith** produces **perseverance**. ⁴ Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be **mature and complete, not lacking anything**.



Colossians 1:12

¹² and **giving joyful thanks** to the Father, Who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of His holy people in the kingdom of light.

Colossians 1:12b-14

¹² ...Who has **qualified you** to share in the inheritance of His holy people in the kingdom of light. ¹³ For He has **rescued us** from the dominion of darkness and **brought us** into the kingdom of the Son He loves, ¹⁴ in Whom **we have redemption**, the forgiveness of sins.





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