

Part 1 – Intentional Prayer

Read Philippians 1:3-11; 1 Timothy 2:1-8

- 1) In what ways does Paul show intentionality in his prayer?
- 2) What different “kinds” of prayer does Paul list in 1 Timothy 2?
- 3) How *practically* can you follow this instruction in 1 Timothy?

Part 2—Abounding Love

Read Philippians 1:9; 1 John 4:7-12

- 1) In what ways should our love abound more and more? What does that mean?
- 2) According to 1 John 4 in what ways is the love of God instructive for us?
- 3) In what ways has your love grown in the past year?

Part 3—Approving Excellence

Read Philippians 1:10; Romans 2:17-18

- 1) What are some excellent things that could help produce purity in your life?
- 2) What tool did the Jews use (and so may we) to help approve what is excellent?
- 3) How can excellence produce Christlikeness in us?

Part 4—Filled with Fruit

Read Philippians 1:11; Psalm 1

- 1) Who produces the fruit of righteousness and why is this important?
- 2) According to Psalm 1 what are some characteristics of a fruit bearing righteous person?
- 3) How is Philippians 1:11 a fitting end to Paul’s prayer?

Don't forget the Big Idea!