

# Growing PRAISE

EVERY NIGHT...EVERY HOME...THE MOST IMPORTANT THINGS IN LIFE

12 — 18 July 2020

**THEME VERSES - Matthew 6:8 & Colossians 1:13-14**

***"Your heavenly Father knows exactly what you need even before you ask him!"***

***"He has rescued us from the kingdom of darkness & transferred us into the Kingdom of his dear Son, who purchased our freedom & forgave our sins."***

## TABLE GRACE

***We give you thanks,  
O Lord,  
For all things  
bright and good,  
The beauty of your world,  
The bounty of our food.  
Amen.***

## 5 POINT CHECK UP

1. Share your highs (good times) and lows (bad times)
2. Read a verse from the Bible.
3. What do you find "best" in the text? What is most confusing or hard to understand? What does God want you to do?
4. Pray for one another (Praise God, Thank Jesus, Ask the Holy Spirit).
5. Bless one another.

## **THOUGHT for the week:**

***"My prayers don't change God.  
But, I am convinced prayer changes me.  
Praying boldly boots me out of that stale  
place of religious habit & into authentic  
connection with God Himself."***

**- Lysa TerKeurst**

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## let's TALK

1. Gather in the name of the Father, Son & Holy Spirit. Share your highs/lows. Read Matthew 6:5-15 & Colossians 1:9-14. What strikes you as you read these verses?
2. How would you describe Paul's prayer life? Why did he pray for the Colossians so much? What can we learn from the content of Paul's prayer?
3. What's the difference (vs 9) between complete knowledge, spiritual wisdom, & understanding? Why does he pray for those specific things? Distinguish between spiritual character & personal convenience? How does one influence the other?
4. What would it look like for verse 10 to become real in a person's life? How are you living into that part of Paul's prayer for the church?
5. For what does this passage say God empowers us? How is this different from what we generally want God to empower us for? How do verses 13 & 14 give the context & content for the preceding verses?
6. When you pray "Our Father" how do you see yourself before God? What do you think God sees? As an agent of God's will what is your role in living the reality of the Kingdom of God which is ours in Christ? Who in your world needs to know of this new Kingdom which is ours as a gift, but for which we also pray & work?

## let's READ

Sunday	Philippians 4:6-7	Thursday	Ephesians 1:18-20
Monday	Psalm 145:18	Friday	Psalm 18:6
Tuesday	1 John 5:14-15	Saturday	Romans 12:12
Wednesday	Psalm 4:1	MEMORIZE	Colossians 1:13-14

## let's PRAY

***PRAISE GOD for inviting you to know him.  
THANK JESUS for being the God you can know.  
ASK THE HOLY SPIRIT to show you where God  
is at work in you & where he wants to work through you  
in the life of someone else.***

## let's BLESS

***Make the sign of the cross on each other as you say:***

***(Name), † child of God,  
the Father hears & answers your prayers!  
Amen.***

