

The Preeminence of Christ: Devotionals

The Book of Colossians

Sermon Series Week TWO: “Living Faithfully to the Gospel”

Sermon Date: Sunday, November 9, 2025

Scripture: Colossians 1:9-14

Day 1 – Faithful in Understanding

Scripture:

“We have not ceased to pray for you, asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of His will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding.”

Colossians 1:9

Thought:

Faithfulness begins in the mind. Paul prays that believers be filled with the knowledge of God’s will. To live faithfully, we must think faithfully. The more we know God, the more we trust and obey Him. The Gospel shapes our thoughts before it shapes our actions.

Action:

Set aside focused time today to study Scripture—not just to gain knowledge, but to know God more intimately. Ask the Holy Spirit to open your understanding to His will.

Prayer:

“Lord, fill my heart and mind with Your truth. Give me a desire to know You deeply and the wisdom to apply what I learn. Shape my thoughts by the Gospel, that my life may reflect You.”

Questions:

1. *How does my current pursuit of knowledge reflect my desire to know God?*
 2. *In what areas do I need to surrender my understanding to the wisdom of His Word?*
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Day 2 – Faithful in Conduct

Scripture:

“So as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing Him, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God.”

Colossians 1:10

Thought:

Faithfulness to the Gospel shows up in daily behavior. What we believe must shape how we live. True faith bears visible fruit—acts of love, integrity, and obedience that mirror Christ’s character.

Action:

Examine one area of your conduct—home, work, or relationships—where your actions could more clearly display the Gospel. Commit to one practical change that honors Christ.

Prayer:

“Father, help me to walk worthy of You today. May my words, choices, and relationships reflect the grace You’ve given me. Let my conduct be fruit that pleases You.”

Questions:

1. *What “fruit” is the Gospel currently producing in my life?*
 2. *What specific step can I take this week to live in a way that pleases the Lord?*
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Day 3 – Faithful in Endurance

Scripture:

“Being strengthened with all power, according to His glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy.”
Colossians 1:11

Thought:

Faithfulness is proven in endurance. We are not called to survive by our own strength but to persevere through Christ’s power. Gospel endurance bends but does not break—it trusts, waits, and rejoices even in trials.

Action:

Reflect on a current challenge. Instead of asking God to remove it, ask Him to strengthen you through it. Write down one way you can practice joyful perseverance this week.

Prayer:

“Lord, when I am weary, be my strength. Teach me to endure with joy, knowing You are working all things for Your glory. Keep my flame of faith burning brightly to the end.”

Questions:

1. *How do I typically respond to pressure—by self-effort or Spirit-dependence?*
 2. *What might God be teaching me about His strength through this season?*
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Day 4 – Faithful in Gratitude

Scripture:

“Giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light.”

Colossians 1:12

Thought:

Gratitude is the heartbeat of faithfulness. God has qualified, delivered, transferred, and redeemed us. Every breath of the believer should echo thanksgiving. Gratitude keeps the Gospel central—it reminds us that everything we have is by grace.

Action:

List five specific things God has done for you through Christ. Spend a few moments thanking Him for each one. Let gratitude turn into worship.

Prayer:

“Father, thank You for rescuing me from darkness and bringing me into the kingdom of Your Son. Keep my heart overflowing with gratitude so that I never forget Your grace.”

Questions:

1. *How often do I pause to thank God for His daily mercies?*
 2. *In what ways can I express gratitude to God publicly this week?*
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Day 5 – Living Faithfully to the Gospel

Scripture:

“He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.”

Colossians 1:13-14

Thought:

The Gospel is not only the message that saves us—it’s the truth that sustains and shapes our lives. Faithful living is not perfection; it’s perseverance—remaining rooted in Christ, shaped by His Word, empowered by His Spirit, and overflowing with gratitude.

Action:

Reflect on the four areas of gospel faithfulness—understanding, conduct, endurance, and gratitude. Identify which area God is calling you to strengthen. Commit to one next step in that area this week.

Prayer:

“Lord Jesus, thank You for rescuing and redeeming me. Teach me to live faithfully to Your Gospel—in my thoughts, actions, endurance, and thanksgiving. May my life display Your grace until the day I see You face to face.”

Questions:

1. *Which of the four areas—understanding, conduct, endurance, or gratitude—needs renewed focus in my life?*
 2. *How can I rely more on Christ’s strength rather than my own in living faithfully to the Gospel?*
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