

## Praying the Prayer of Paul

As Paul prayed for his disciples in the churches of Ephesus, Colosse, Philippi and Thessalonica, he asked God to do what only God could do, to take the written word and make it a living epistle in their transformed lives. Please use these personalized, paraphrased scriptures which are powerful swords of the Spirit and pray them for our leaders.

### Ephesians 1:17-23

Glorious Father, I thank you for \_\_\_\_\_ and I bless them.

I ask You to give \_\_\_\_\_ the Spirit of wisdom and revelation so that \_\_\_\_\_ may know You better.

Enlighten the eyes of \_\_\_\_\_'s heart so that they may know the hope to which you have called them, the riches of Your glorious inheritance in the saints, and Your incomparably great power for them because they believe.

Fill \_\_\_\_\_ with all the fullness of Jesus in every way today.

### Ephesians 3:15-20

I call you Father and I pray

that from Your glorious riches You will strengthen \_\_\_\_\_ with power through Your Spirit in their inner being.

that Christ may dwell in \_\_\_\_\_'s heart through faith.

that \_\_\_\_\_ will be rooted and established in love.

that \_\_\_\_\_ may have power, with all the saints, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ.

that \_\_\_\_\_ will know this love that surpasses knowledge.

that \_\_\_\_\_ will be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.

I give you glory for You are able to do immeasurably more than all I ask or imagine, according To Your power that is working within us.

### Philippians 1:9-11

I pray

that \_\_\_\_\_'s love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight.

that \_\_\_\_\_ may be able to discern what is best.

that \_\_\_\_\_ will be filled with the fruit of righteousness through Jesus Christ-to the glory and praise of God.

### Colossians 1:9-12

Father, I pray

that You will fill \_\_\_\_\_ with the knowledge of Your will through all spiritual wisdom and understanding.

that \_\_\_\_\_ may live a life worthy of You, Lord.

that \_\_\_\_\_ may please You in every way.

that \_\_\_\_\_ will bear fruit in every good work.

that \_\_\_\_\_ will grow in knowledge of You.

that \_\_\_\_\_ will be strengthened with all power according to Your glorious might.

that \_\_\_\_\_ may have great endurance and patience.

that \_\_\_\_\_ will joyfully give thanks to You, Father who has qualified them to share in the inheritance of the saints in the kingdom of light.

## **2 Thessalonians 1:11-12**

God, I pray  
that You will count \_\_\_\_\_ worthy of Your calling.  
that by Your power You may fulfill every good purpose in \_\_\_\_\_'s life and every act  
prompted by their faith.  
I pray this so that the name of our Lord Jesus Christ may be glorified in \_\_\_\_\_ and they in You,  
according to your grace.

## **1 Thessalonians 1:2-9**

I always thank You, Father, for \_\_\_\_\_, as I bring them to you in prayer.  
Continue to stir up in them work produced by faith, labor prompted by love and endurance  
inspired by hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.  
Cause \_\_\_\_\_ to know that they are loved by You and especially chosen by You.  
Cause the gospel to take root in their lives and go forth from them not only in words, but also  
with power, with the Holy Spirit and with deep conviction.  
Cause \_\_\_\_\_  
to keep their eyes on the Lord Jesus and become imitators of Him.  
to have joy as only the Holy Spirit can give and to model Christ with their lives to a watching  
world, that their faith in You might become known to the ends of the earth.  
Keep \_\_\_\_\_ actively serving only You, the living and true God.

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