

Colossians: The Will of God Colossians 1: 9-10

When Colossians 1:9 says that we can be filled with the knowledge of the will of God, it means that we can know what ways the Holy Spirit is sanctifying us (or separating us from sin to make us like Christ).

As God continually molds you into the image of his Son, which character quality of Christ do you desire the most?

Do you have any personal examples of sinful habits or emotions that God has helped you to separate from in the past?

Are there any sins that the Holy Spirit is currently working to separate you from which you feel comfortable sharing with the group?

Now that we know that the will of God is that you would be sanctified, how would you explain the following verses?

- *Romans 12: 1-2*
- *Ephesians 5:15-18*
- *Hebrews 10:8-10*
- *1 Peter 2:15*
- *1 John 2:17*

As great as it is to know the will of God for our lives, the real reward of doing so is walking in a manner worthy of the Lord and bringing delight to God (as seen in Colossians 1:10).

If we are “fully pleasing to God” when we follow his will and obey the process of sanctification, in what ways does that impact our relationship with him?

When the Bible talks about “bearing fruit” as it does in this verse, it’s a call to be a visible display Christ’s character to others through how we live our lives. What’s the difference between “bearing fruit” and legalism?

How do Matthew 5:16 and Colossians 1:10 share the same message?

How have you increased in your knowledge of God recently?