

# when we pray

Colossians 1:1–14

*These first fourteen verses give practical teaching about the ministry of prayer. Want to pray like Paul for the body of Christ?*

## **I. Start from a \_\_\_\_\_ (vv. 1–2).**

Readers were reminded that Christ gave them life and the responsibility to live accordingly — “grace and peace.” This was a bond of brothers in Christ Paul had not met but loved.

## **II. Give Thanks for the \_\_\_\_\_ (vv. 3–8).**

### **A. Gratitude for the \_\_\_\_\_ (vv. 3–5).**

Jesus was not only the object of their faith, but sphere of it — “faith in Christ Jesus” (v. 4). Our relationship to Christ should impact every area of our daily life.

### **B. Gratitude for the \_\_\_\_\_ (vv. 6–8).**

Jews and Gentiles alike were being reached with the gospel. The early church was a marvelous mix of people who would not have fellowshiped otherwise.

## **III. Petition God for the \_\_\_\_\_ (vv. 9–14).**

### **A. For a \_\_\_\_\_ in Christian doctrine (vv. 9, 10b).**

### **B. For a \_\_\_\_\_ Christian \_\_\_\_\_ (vv. 10–14).**