

Dig Deeper Colossians 1:1-14 for family/personal study ...

Col 1:1-14 Ready, Steady, Grow!

(V1-2) INTRODUCTION

to a letter of real gospel encouragement

(V3-8) THANKS

for evidence of a real gospel start

gospel → hope → faith
part

(V9-14) PRAYER

for growth in real gospel understanding

knowledge of his will ➡ godliness

gospel understanding ➡ fruitfulness

➡ knowing God

➡ perseverance

➡ gratitude



Applying the passage as a whole...

- 1. Can you relate to the feeling of having a slow spiritual internet connection in your Christian life? What lately has made you feel like that?**
- 2. Is there anything in verses 1-2 that make you excited to read Colossians?**
- 3. Though you would like them more, are any of the marks found in v3-8 in your Christian life? Thank God for them in yourself and others.**
- 4. What is it exactly that Paul prays for (v9-14), and why do so many things flow out of this?**

Spend some time praying Col 1 for yourself and for your friends at church.

Resources...

- Just read and re-read [Colossians](#)! It's great! Stick with Jesus!
- The diary of Samuel Pepys on the [day he dug up his gold](#).
- Recording of my [sermon](#) last time I preached on this passage (slightly different headings).