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**Recap of 11/10/19 (Col 1:5-14):**

1. Colossae was a city in the Roman province of Asia (modern day Turkey). Paul writes this letter to the church at Colossae, a church he never personally visited (Col 2:1), from prison (Col 4:18). It was probably written from Rome around 60-62 A.D. Some scholars think it was written from Caesarea while Paul awaited a fair trial before he finally appealed to Caesar and was sent to Rome (Ac 23-26).

2. Paul's prayer for the Colossian believers gives us a great idea of what our Spiritual walk should look like. These are the things we should be striving for in our lives as we are filled with the knowledge of His will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding. These things are all interrelated and are done together

- a. Pleasing God – obeying His commands
- b. Bearing fruit in good works – ministering to others
- c. Increasing in the knowledge of God – reading the Word and prayer
- d. Strengthened by His power – trusting and relying on God instead of ourselves
- e. Steadfast and patient – not giving up when things are tough
- f. Joyful and grateful – remembering what He has already done for us and His promises