



# Don't Blink!

## Colossians 1:9-14

# Key Thought



In Christ is our calling,  
purpose, and power!

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For this reason also, since the day we heard *of it*, we have not ceased to pray for you and to ask that you may be filled with the knowledge of His will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that you may walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, to please *Him* in all respects, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God;

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strengthened with all power, according to His glorious might, for the attaining of all steadfastness and patience; joyously giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified us to share in the inheritance of the saints in Light. For He delivered us from the domain of darkness, and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

# I. The Mission of a Christian





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# I. The Mission of a Christian



✧ We need to have a knowledge worth having



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# 1 Corinthians 2:12-16



Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, so that we may know the things freely given to us by God, which things we also speak, not in words taught by human wisdom, but in those taught by the Spirit, combining spiritual *thoughts* with spiritual *words*.

# 1 Corinthians 2:12-16



**But a natural man does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; and he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually appraised. But he who is spiritual appraises all things, yet he himself is appraised by no one. For who has known the mind of the Lord, that he will instruct Him? But we have the mind of Christ.**

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- ✧ We need to have a life worth living

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# I. The Mission of a Christian



- ✧ We need to have a knowledge worth having
- ✧ We need to have a life worth living
- ✧ We need to have a goal worth achieving

# Galatians 1:10



**For am I now seeking the favor of men,  
or of God? Or am I striving to please  
men? If I were still trying to please men,  
I would not be a bond-servant of Christ.**

# II. The Mark of a Christian



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So that you may walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, to please Him in all respects bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God;



# II. The Mark of a Christian



✧ We are to bear fruit

✧ We are to grow in our knowledge of God

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So that you may walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, to please Him in all respects bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God; strengthened will all power according to his glorious might for the attaining of all steadfastness and patience

# II. The Mark of a Christian



- ✧ We are to bear fruit
- ✧ We are to grow in our knowledge of God
- ✧ We are to have a persevering walk

# Acts 5:41



**Rejoicing that they had been  
considered worthy to suffer  
shame for his name.**

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- ✧ We are to bear fruit
- ✧ We are to grow in our knowledge of God
- ✧ We are to have a persevering walk
- ✧ We are to have a joyful countenance



# III. The Means of a Christian



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✧ God has given us the power to do it



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# Conclusion



**For the Christian, failure is  
never final!**