

Approve the Excellent Things!

Philippians 1:9-11

New Testament Prayers

‘Remember Who You are!’

‘Remember Who Jesus is!’

‘Love *isn't* All You Need!’ (...after all)

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(9) “And this I pray, that your love may abound still more and more in real knowledge and all discernment,

(10) so that you may approve the things that are excellent, in order to be sincere and blameless until the day of Christ,

(11) having been filled with the fruit of righteousness which comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.”

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2. Christ has *filled* you with (v 11):

➤ His 'Fruit of Righteousness'

Galatians 5:16,25

But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not carry out the desire of the flesh.

If we live by the Spirit... let us also walk by the Spirit.

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3. Your LIFE as a result (v 10):

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3. Your LIFE as a result (v 10):

- Approve the excellent things!
- Grow in Purity!



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Philippians 4:8

Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is of good repute, if there is any excellence and if anything worthy of praise, let your **mind** dwell on these things

2 Corinthians 10:5

We are destroying speculations and every lofty thing raised up against the knowledge of God, and we are taking **every thought** captive to the obedience of Christ.

Colossians 3:1-4

Therefore if you have been raised up with Christ, keep seeking the things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God.

Set your mind on the things above, not on the things that are on earth. For you have died and your life is hidden with Christ in God.

When Christ, who is our life, is revealed, then you also will be revealed with Him in glory.

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Malachi 1:10

Oh that there were *one among you* who would shut the gates, that you might not uselessly kindle fire on My altar!

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Jeremiah 5:1

Roam to and fro through the streets of
Jerusalem, And look now and take note. And
seek in her open squares, **If you can find a man,**
If there is **one** who does justice, who seeks
truth, Then I will pardon her.

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Isaiah 50:2

Why was there **no man** when I came? When I called, why was there none to answer?

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Isaiah 50:4

He awakens Me morning by morning. He awakens My ear to listen as a disciple.

The Lord God has opened My ear; and I was not disobedient, nor did I turn back.

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Isaiah 50:10

Who among you fears the LORD and obeys the voice of his servant?

Let him who walks in darkness and has no light trust in the name of the LORD and rely on his God.

**“Love Jesus with heart & mind
and
approve what is excellent”**

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